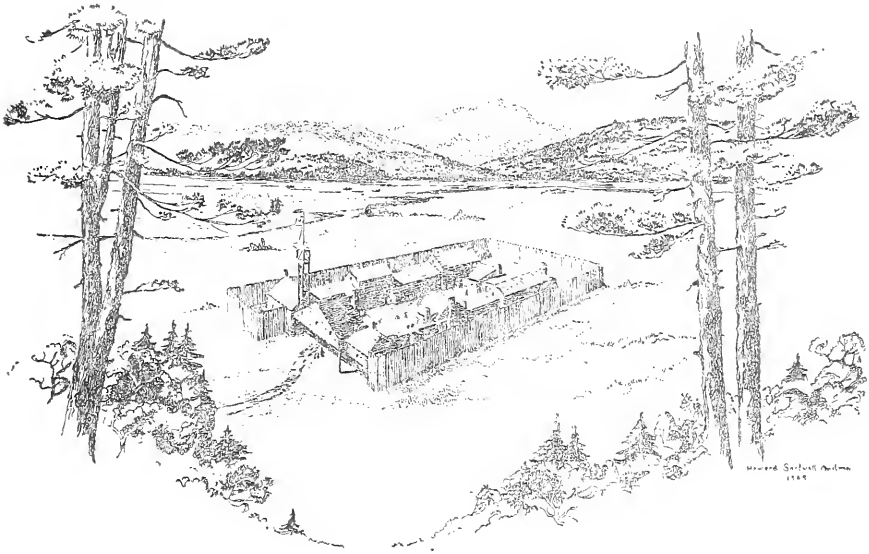


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Bring Your Town Report to Town Meeting. Tuesday,
March 10, 1953

COMSTOCK, THE PRINTER
CHARLESTOWN, N. H.

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TOWN OFFICERS — 1952

Donald G. Harrington	Moderator
William S. Fairbanks	Town Clerk
William Miller	Treasurer
Walter H. Palmer, term expires 1953	Selectman
J. Frank Frohock, term expires 1954	Selectman
Alice E. Adams, term expires 1955	Selectman
Oscar F. Adams	Overseer of Poor
John W. Morris	Road Agent
Louis L. Comstock	Tax Collector
Eleanor C. Brown	Auditor
Alta G. Currier	Auditor
Walter G. Smith, Jr.	Auditor
Ralph A. Willoughy	Chief of Police
Louis L. Comstock	Health Officer
Oscar C. Young, term expires 1953	Treas. Water Comm.
Guy C. Dodge, term expires 1954, (deceased)	Supt. Water Comm.
Raymond C. Dodge, appointed until Mar. '53	Supt. Water Comm.
David V. Cahalane term expires 1955	Coll. Water Comm.
Guy C. Dodge, (deceased)	Supt. Sewer Dept.
Raymond C. Dodge, appointed until Mar. '53	Supt. Sewer Dept.
M. Loraine Child	Supervisor
Lora L. Spooner	Supervisor
Edna Farrell	Supervisor
Merrill Weeks, term expires 1953	School Board
Anne Worthley, term expires 1954	School Board
Dana E. Olden, term expires 1955	School Board
John W. Day, resigned July 31, 1952	Supt. of Schols
Ralph H. Meacham, appointed Aug. 15, 1952	Supt. of Schools
Gladys L. Adams, term expires 1953	Trustee Trust Funds
Fred H. Perry, term expires 1954	Trustee Trust Funds
Lovell E. Comstock, term expires 1955	Trustee Trust Funds
Martha MacD. Frizzell, term expires 1953	Library Trustee
E. Peckham Barber, term expires 1953	Library Trustee
Leona E. Fisk, term expires 1954	Library Trustee
Hesslar H. Gates, term expires 1954 (resigned)	Library Trustee
Archibald H. Sayce, term expires 1955	Library Trustee
Isabel T. Palmer, term expires 1955	Library Trustee
Richard H. Perry	Justice Municipal Court
Charles A. Smith	Asst. Justice Municipal Court
D. Howard Stearns	Chief Fire Department

TOWN WARRANT, MARCH 11, 1952

Results of Voting

Tabulation of Voting

Art. 1. Total ballots cast 534. Republican 362. Democratic 55. Split 117.

Town Clerk—William S. Fairbanks	519
Selectman, 3 years—Alice E. Adams	499
Treasurer—William Miller	508
Overseer of Poor—Oscar F. Adams	512
Tax Collector—Louis L. Comstock	508
Chief Engineer—D. Howard Stearns	517
Water Commissioner, 3 years—David V. Cahalane	507
Auditors—Eleanor C. Brown	494
Alta G. Currier	415
Walter G. Smith, Jr.	429
Library Trustee, 3 years—Isabel T. Palmer	482
Archibald H. Sayce	423
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Art. 2. Resolved, to adopt the article as recommended by the Finance Committee, with the exception of schools and other fixed items.

Art. 3. Resolved, to adopt the article.

Art. 4. Resolved, by unanimous vote, to adopt the article.

Art. 5. Resolved, to elect the following three members to the Finance Committee for three years: John Ahern, Montford Sayce, James Hogan.

Art. 6. Resolved, to adopt the article.

Art. 7. Resolved, to adopt the article.

Art. 8. Resolved, to adopt the article with the sum of \$200.00 appropriated instead of \$125.00.

Art. 9. Resolved, to adopt the article with the following amendment: "To authorize the Selectmen to borrow \$4800.00 for the use of the Water Department to replace the pipe as specified in this article. This money to be repaid from earnings of the Water Department at the rate of \$800.00 per year, starting in 1953"

Art. 10. Resolved, to adopt the article.

Art. 11. Resolved, to adopt the article.

Art. 12. Resolved, to adopt the article.

Art. 13. Resolved, to dismiss the article.

Art. 14. Resolved, to accept the report of the committee elected at the 1951 Town Meeting with the following amendment: "To strike out the word **decision** and insert **recommendation**."

The following committees were elected:

Town Development Committee—For 3 years: Verne Bradish, chairman, Harold Moffatt; for 2 years: Cedric Lumbra, Ralph Jacobs; for 1 year: Merrill Weeks, co-chairman, Theodore Frizzell.

Road Committee—For 5 years: Horace Bascom, chairman; for 4 years: William Ahern; for 3 years: James Adams; for 2 years: Eugene Fairbanks; for 1 year: Fred Perry.

Art. 15. Resolved, to adopt the article with the following amendment: "That the Town raise and appropriate \$1500.00 for a memorial to those Charlestown men who gave their lives and those who served in World War II, and that a committee to be composed of nine members to handle said amount of money and details be appointed. Three from the American Legion, three from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and three from the Town of Charlestown. The chairman of the committee to be a town member. The Legion and Veterans to appoint their own committees and the Selectmen to appoint the Town committee."

Art. 16. Resolved, to strike out the article and substitute the following amendment: "To raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used at the discretion of the Selectmen to improve police protection in the Town of Charlestown."

Art. 17. Resolved, to dismiss the article.

Art. 18. New Business. A resolution that the Town vote to hold its next meeting in the evening was dismissed.

Business meeting adjourned at 12.45 p. m.

A true copy, attest

WILLIAM S. FAIRBANKS,
Town Clerk

TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Charlestown, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Charlestown on Tuesday, the tenth (10th) day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose the necessary town officers for their respective terms.

Art. 2. To consider the budget. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the maintenance of the poor, laying out and repairing highways, building and repairing bridges, street lighting and for the necessary charges arising within the town.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to deliver the inventory blanks at the time of taking inventory.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow on notes on the credit of the town, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 5. To see what action the town will take in respect to appointing three members of the finance committee for the ensuing three years.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to accept all trust funds received for perpetual care of lots in the cemeteries.

Art. 7. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to trade in the presently owned payloader for \$5000.00 toward the purchase of a new H. M. Hough Payloader, and to vote to raise and appropriate \$6,720.00 to pay the balance.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$2000.00 to purchase a $\frac{3}{4}$ ton pickup truck for the Highway Department. (By petition.)

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1000.00 to repair and redecorate the Lower Town Hall.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to publish a new history of the Town of Charlestown as recommended by the history committee. (Requested by the Committee.)

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1000.00 in 1953 and authorize the Selectmen to borrow \$4000.00 when needed to establish a fund for paying the cost of publication of the new history, the debt to be retired with funds realized from the sale of the history. (Requested by the Committee).

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1200.00 for a professional survey of the town water and sewer systems. (Request of Town Development Committee).

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to install a street light midway on Arbor Lane, so-called, in the town proper, and appropriate money for this purpose. (By request).

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to allow all employees of the Charlestown Highway Department, who have worked for the department continuously for at least a year to have a week's vacation with pay.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise the Water Collector's salary to \$200.00, and the Water Superintendent's salary to \$100.00 per year.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$544.50 to install a two-way radio in the car of the Police Chief. (By request).

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to accept roadways on the Crown Point Heights development. (By request).

Art. 18. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen and the Water Commissioners to sell the mature timber on the east side of Hull's Pond.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to put up for competitive bids all supplies and equipment to be purchased by the town. (By petition).

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to allow the collector of taxes additional compensation for his services in collecting the state head tax and to fix the amount thereof.

Art. 21. To see what action the town will take in regard to Cummings Avenue swamp.

Art. 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first (21st) day of February, in the year of our Lord 1953.

WALTER H. PALMER
J. FRANK FROHOCK
ALICE E. ADAMS
Selectmen of Charlestown

A true copy of warrant—attest

WALTER H. PALMER
J. FRANK FROHOCK
ALICE E. ADAMS
Selectmen of Charlestown

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN. N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953.

Compared with

Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952

Sources of Revenue

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1952	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1952	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1953
From State:			
Interest and dividends tax	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,430.13	\$ 1,400.00
Railroad tax	3,400.00	3,476.28	3,400.00
Savings bank tax	300 00	298.33	300.00
Reimbursement acct. state and federal forest lands, 1951 & 1952	144 00	303.07	150.00
Reimbursement acct. exemption of growing wood and timber	1,000.00		3,000.00
Reimbursement acct. old age assistance		100 12	
From Local Sources except Taxes:			
Dog licenses	600.00	674.20	600.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	100.00	115.50	100.00
Fines and forfeits, municipal court	75 00		397.50
Rent of town hall and other buildings	600.00	150.00	1,000.00
Interest received on taxes and deposits	500.00	585.26	500.00
Income of Departments:			
Highway, incl. rental of equipment	1,000.00	3,806.84	2,500.00
Fire		377.90	

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Purposes of Expenditures

	Approps. Previous Year 1952	Actual Exp'tures Previous Year 1952	Estimated Exp'tures Ensuing Year 1953
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,350.00	\$ 3,289.00	\$ 3,350.00
Town officers' expenses	1,400.00	1,581.07	1,500.00
Election and registration exp.	600.00	651.25	500.00
Municipal court expenses	250.00	303.00	350.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	4,500.00	4,809.72	2,500.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police department	2,300.00	2,200.36	2,300.00
Fire department	4,600.00	4,926.27	3,200.00
Moth extermination, blister rust	400.00	400.00	400.00
Social Security	400.00		
Care of trees	1,000.00	700.62	1,000.00
Health:			
Health Dept., incl. hospitals	100.00	48.85	100.00
Vital statistics	140.00	97.00	125.00
Town dump	400.00	302.00	400.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town maintenance	22,500.00	27,212.59	22,500.00
Street lighting	2,800.00	2,748.00	3,000.00
General expenses of highway department, tar	4,500.00	2,532.60	4,500.00
Town road aid	768.35	768.35	786.20
Libraries	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Public Welfare:			
Town poor	4,000.00	3,880.82	4,000.00

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Sources of Revenue—Continued

Motor vehicle permit fees	5,500.00	8,881.28	6,500.00
From local taxes other than Property Taxes:			
Poll taxes, regular @ \$2	1,800.00	1,990.00	1,900.00
National bank stock taxes	105.00	112.00	112.00
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Total Revenues from All Sources	\$ 17,124.00	\$ 22,300.91	\$ 21,859.50
Amt. to be raised by property taxes			<u>\$162,688.80</u>
Total Revenues			<u>\$184,548.30</u>

Assessed valuation previous year	\$2,850,564.00
Estimated assessed valuation for 1953	2,850,564.00
Amount required by budget	162,688.80
Tax rate ensuing year per \$100.00 valuation	5.70

Every appropriation of \$1,000.00 in addition to this budget will raise the tax rate \$.04 per \$100.00 valuation.

Ralph K. Weeks, Chairman	Merton L. Bascom
John H. Ahern	Horace N. Bascom
Orborne W. Stevens	Monford H. Sayce
Verne D. Bradish	James B. Hogan
Charles E. Snow, Jr.	Alice E Adams
Merrill P. Weeks, Chairman of School Board	J. Frank Frohock Walter H. Palmer

Purposes of Expenditures—Continued

Old age assistance	4,700.00	4,678.38	4,700.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Asso.	100.00	98.64	100.00
Soldiers' Memorial	1,500.00		
Recreation:			
Parks and playground, incl. band concerts	1,000.00	1,115.22	1,000.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Micro filming	200.00	116.84	
Cemeteries	1,700.00	1,173.29	1,700.00
Town clock	70.00	84.80	150.00
Unclassified:			
Damages and legal expenses, incl. dog damage	300.00	333.05	300.00
Advertising and regional asso.	50.00		50.00
Old Home Day	100.00	100.00	100.00
Interest:			
On temporary loans	650.00	646.88	650.00
On long term notes and bonds	320.00	302.89	220.00
Outlay for New Construc- tion and Perm. Improvements			
Sewer construction	400.00	10.00	
New equipment	2,000.00	1,645.00	
Indebtedness:			
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long term notes	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Payments to Other Govern- mental Divisions:			
County tax	12,443.19	12,443.19	14,000.00
School taxes	102,962.00	89,189.97	105,067.10
Total Expenditures	\$188,503.54	\$174,389.65	\$184,548.30

INVENTORY, 1952

Lands and buildings (exclusive of growing wood and timber)	\$1,824,660
Electric plants 5	520,890
Horses 42	2,925
Cows 677	104,365
Other neat stock 155	14,085
Sheep and goats 27	275
Fowls 9741	13,955
Portable mills 2	2,200
Gasoline pumps and tanks 32	5,200
Stock in trade	93,758
Mills and machinery	113,775
Toll bridges 1	250,000
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Total gross valuation before exemptions allowed	\$2,946,088
Less soldiers' exemptions	96,040
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Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	\$2,850,048
Tax rate \$6.00.	

APPROPRIATED FOR 1952

The town voted at the annual meeting March 11th, 1952, to raise the following sums:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,350.00
Town officers' expenses	1,400.00
Election and registration expenses	600.00
Social Security or Retirement	400.00
Municipal court expenses	250.00
Town hall and buildings	4,500.00
Police department	2,300.00
Fire department	4,600.00
Blister rust	400.00
Health department	100.00
Vital statistics	140.00
Town road aid	768.35

Town maintenance	22,500.00
Surface treatment	4,500.00
New equipment	2,000.00
Care of trees	1,000.00
Town clock	70.00
Veterans' Memorial	1,500.00
Street lighting	2,800.00
Sewers	400.00
Libraries	1,000.00
Old age assistance	4,700.00
Town poor	4,000.00
Memorial Day, Old Home Day	200.00
Swimming pool	1,000.00
Cemeteries	1,700.00
Damages and legal expenses	300.00
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	50.00
Payments on principal of debt	5,970.00
School tax	102,962.00
County tax	12,443.19
Town dump	400.00
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	\$188,503.54
Less poll taxes and estimated revenue and credits	19,717.23
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	\$168,786.31
Selectmen added (overlay)	2,359.53
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Property taxes committed to collector	\$171,145.84
Added taxes	102.00
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	\$171,247.84

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1952

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Town officers' salaries	\$ 3350 00		\$ 3350 00	\$ 3289 00	\$ 61 00	
Town officers' expense	1400 00		1400 00	1581 07		\$ 181 07
Social Security or retirement	400 00		400 00		400 00	
Election and registration	600 00		600 00	651 25		
Municipal Court expense	250 00		250 00	303 00		
Town hall and building maintenance	4500 00	\$ 773 00	5273 00	4809 72	463 28	
Police Department	2300 00		2300 00	2200 36	99 64	
Fire Department	4600 00	\$377 90	4977 90	4926 27	51 63	
Micro filming town records	200 00		200 00	116 84	83 16	
Blister rust	400 00		400 00	400 00		
Health department	100 00		100 00	48 85	51 15	
Town dump	400 00		400 00	302 00	98 00	
Vital statistics	140 00		140 00	97 00	43 00	
Town road aid	768 35		768 35	768 35		
Town maintenance	22500 00	3806 84	26306 84	27212 59		905 75
Surface treatment	4500 00		4500 00	2532 60	1967 40	
Care of trees	1000 00		1000 00	700 62	299 38	

Care of town clock	70 00	70 00	84 80	14 80
Veterans' Memorial	1500 00	1500 00		
Street lighting	2800 00	2800 00	2748 00	1500 00
Sewer construction	400 00	400 00	10 00	52 00
New equipment	2000 00	2000 00	1645 00	390 00
Libraries	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	355 00
Old age assistance	4700 00	4700 00	4678 38	21 62
Town poor	4000 00	4000 00	3880 82	119 18
Memorial Day	100 00	100 00	98 64	1 36
Old Home Day	100 00	100 00	100 00	
Parks and playground (pool)	1000 00	1000 00	1115 22	115 22
Cemeteries	1700 00	1701 50	1173 29	528 21
Damages and legal expense, dog damage	300 00	300 00	255 20	44 80
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Association	50 00	50 00		50 00
Interest	970 00	970 00	986 47	
County tax	12443 19	12443 19	12443 19	16 47
Payments on debt (principal)	5000 00	5000 00	5000 00	
Totals	<u>\$85541 54</u>	<u>\$90500 78</u>	<u>\$85158 53</u>	<u>\$6679 81</u>
Net Unexpended Balance of Appropriations				<u>\$1337 56</u>
				<u>5342 25</u>
				<u>\$6679 81</u>
				<u>\$6679 81</u>

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT — TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN. N. H.

December 31, 1952

Showing Annual Maturities of Outstanding Bonds and Long Term Notes

Due	Water System—1952 Serial Notes—1½ % First National Bank, Springfield, Vt. # Orig. Amt. \$4800.00	Amoskeag Savings Bank, 1949 Note at 2 % Orig. Amt. \$8000.00 for Road Equipment	Frank W. Horne & Co. 1951 Notes at 2 % Orig. Amt. \$12000.00 Fire Truck	Total
1953	\$ 245 38	\$2000 00	\$3000 00	\$ 5245 38
1954	800 00		3000 00	3800 00
1955	800 00		3000 00	3800 00
1956	800 00			800 00
1957	800 00			800 00
	\$3445 38	\$2000 00	\$9000 00	\$14445 38

The Town authorized the Selectmen to borrow \$4800.00 for use by the Water Department to replace 1400 ft. of pipe in Snumshire. The Water Department had the job done at a saving of \$1360.08. This saving was used to pay in full the note due in 1958 with interest, and to pay \$554.38 on the note due in 1953.

FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF
CHARLESTOWN
— in —
SULLIVAN COUNTY

For the Fiscal Year Ended
DECEMBER 31, 1952

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

February 17, 1953.

WALTER H. PALMER
J. FRANK FROHOCK
ALICE E. ADAMS
Selectmen

WILLIAM MILLER, Treasurer

BALANCE SHEET, 1952

Assets

Cash	
Highway acct. balance	\$ 140 35
In hands of treasurer	40934 72
In hands of officials Sewer department	2048 56
Treasurer, Water Commission	1111 20
Water department reserve fund	932 84
Accounts Due to the Town	
Forest fire	12 60
Bounties 1952, \$13.00; 1951, \$21.50	34 50
Timber tax reimbursement	1806 02
Municipal court	397 50
Other Bills Due Town	
Water department notes	3445 62
Town hall rent	698 12
Highway department service	269 33
Sewer rentals \$614.00, water department \$1,297.91	1911 91
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1951	1438 93
Levy of 1950	493 11
Previous years	370 26
Uncollected Taxes	
Levy of 1952	18903 90
Levy of 1951	44 90
Total assets	<hr/> \$ 74994 37
Grand Total	<hr/> \$ 74994 37
Net debt, December 31, 1951	5586 60
Net surplus, December 31, 1952	2246 75

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town	
Unexpended balances of special appropriations	
Sunapee Region	\$ 50 00
Social Security (Swamp pro. \$390.00)	790 00
Surface treatment	1500 00
Veterans' Memorial	1500 00
Due to School Districts	
Balance of appropriation, 1952-1953	54462 00
Long Term Notes Outstanding	
F. W. Horne, fire truck notes	9000 00
Amoskeag Savings Bank, highway notes	2000 00
First National Bank, Springfield, Vt., water dept. notes	3445 62
Total Liabilities	\$ 72747 62
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)	2246 75
Grand Total	\$ 74994 37

Receipts

From Local Taxes: (collected and re- mitted to Treasurer)	
Property taxes, current year, 1952	\$152545 94
Poll taxes, current year, regular @ \$2, 1952	1872 00
National bank stock taxes, 1952	112 00
Yield taxes, 1952	1076 08
Total current year's taxes collected and re- mitted	\$155606 02
Property taxes and yield taxes, previous yrs.	18667 14
Poll taxes, previous years, regular @ \$2	218 00
Interest received on taxes	585 26
Tax sales redeemed	2733 56
From State	
For highways and bridges:	
For town road aid	4736 78
Interest and dividend tax	1430 13
Railroad tax	3476 28
Savings bank tax	298 33
Reimbursement acct. state and federal forest lands	303 07
Reimbursement acct. old age assistance	100 12

From Local Sources, except Taxes	
Dog licenses	674 20
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	115 50
Income from departments	3975 74
Income from water department	2192 08
Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 permits	8881 28
Receipts Other than Current Revenue	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	75000 00
Long term notes during year	16800 00
Insurance adjustments	66 74
Refunds	55 23
Burial lots	30 00
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	<u>\$ 91951 97</u>
Total Receipts from All Sources	<u>\$295945 46</u>
Cash on hand January 1, 1952	10304 25
Grand Total	<u>\$306249 71</u>

Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses

General Government	
Town officers' salaries	\$ 3289 00
Town officers' expenses	1581 07
Election and registration expenses	651 25
Municipal court expenses	303 00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	4809 72
Protection of Persons and Property	
Police department	2200 36
Care of trees	700 62
Fire department, incl. forest fires	4776 27
Blister rust	400 00
Bounties	13 00
Damage by dogs	77 85
Insurance	242 49
Health	
Health department, incl. hospitals	48 85
Vital statistics	97 00
Town dumps	96 50
Highways and Bridges	
T. R. A. advance payment	4736 78
Town road aid, app.	768 35

Town maintenance	27212 59	
Street lighting	2748 00	
General expenses of highway department	2532 60	
Libraries	1000 00	
Public Welfare		
Old age assistance	4678 38	
Town poor	3880 82	
Patriotic Purposes		
Memorial Day and Veterans' Asso.	100 00	
Care of monument	10 00	
Recreation		
Parks and playgrounds, incl. band		
band concerts, pool	1115 22	
Public Service Enterprises		
Surveying Langdon line	30 00	
Old Home Day	100 00	
Cemeteries, incl. hearse hire	1173 29	
Town clock	84 80	
Unclassified		
Timber tax	329 43	
Legal expenses	255 20	
Microfilming	116 84	
Taxes bought by town	2365 20	
Discounts, abatements and refunds	937 00	
Auto permits	624 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 4043 54
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$ 74085 98
Interest		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation		
of taxes	\$ 646 88	
Paid on long term notes	301 89	
Water note	5 70	
Paid on principal of trust funds		
used by town	32 00	
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Total Interest Payments		\$ 986 47
Outlay for New Construction,		
Equipment and Permanent Improve-		
ments		
Sewer construction	10 00	
New equipment	1645 00	
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Total Outlay Payments		\$ 1655 00

Indebtedness	
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$ 75000 00
Payments on long term notes	5000 00
Paid on Water dept. note	1354 38
Water department	4800 00
Payments to trustees of trust funds	800 00
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Total Indebtedness Payments	\$ 86954 38
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	
Taxes paid to county	\$ 12443 19
Payments to School District, (1951 tax \$40689.97) (1952 tax \$48500.00)	\$ 89189 97
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Div.	\$101633 16
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$265314 99
Cash on hand December 31, 1952	40934 72
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Grand Total	\$306249 71

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town hall, lands and buildings	\$ 30000 00
Furniture and equipment	2000 00
Libraries, lands and buildings	10000 00
Furniture and equipment	4000 00
Police department, equipment	200 00
Fire department, lands and buildings	4000 00
Equipment	20000 00
Highway department, lands and buildings	2000 00
Equipment	20000 00
Parks, commons and playgrounds	5000 00
Water supply, if owned by town	85000 00
Sewers and drains	26000 00
Schools, lands and buildings	250000 00
Equipment	15000 00
G. L. Richardson, wood lot	1000 00
All lands and buildings acquired through Tax Collectors' deeds, Charles Kinson place	1000 00
Farwell, Ball and White, wood lot	500 00
Town dump	1000 00
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Total	\$476700 00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTSCash balance, Jan. 1, 1952 \$ 10304 25**State of New Hampshire**

Recovery old age assistance, Abbie Spooner	\$ 67 57	
Mrs. Hilliard	32 55	
Gas tax refund	406 35	
Forest fire training	7 68	
Reimbursement T. R. A.	4736 78	
State forest tax, 1951 and 1952	303 07	
Interest and dividends tax	1430 13	
Use of equipment	873 30	
Pine blister rust refund	1 30	
Savings bank tax	298 33	
Railroad tax	3476 28	
	<hr/>	\$ 11633 34

Water Department

Note and interest	\$ 832 00	
Workmen's compensation insurance	23 83	
Note and interest	1360 08	
	<hr/>	\$ 2215 91

Loans

F. W. Horne & Co., fire truck note	\$12000 00	
Interest	43 32	
Lincoln R. Young & Co., temporary loans	75000 00	
First National Bank, Springfield, Vt., water notes	4800 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 91843 32

Refunds

Perry & Willard, insurance refund	\$ 24 52	
Walter Arnold, fire dept. refund	10 00	
V. F. W., Memorial Day refund	1 36	
Checks Nos. 592 and 605 returned	1 00	
Adams & Adams, fire truck ins. refund	16 60	
Fire Department, gas refund	26 24	
Sewer Department, workmen's compensation insurance	42 91	
Check No. 595 returned	50	
Lena F. Warren, vital statistic refund	25	
Deryl Baker, grass fire refund	20 20	
Bellows Falls Village Corp., Vermont Farm fire	314 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 457 58

William S. Fairbanks, Town Clerk

Auto permits	\$ 8881 28	
Dog licenses	674 20	
	<hr/>	\$ 9555 48

Taxes Redeemed

Leslie Streeter, 1951	\$ 43 10
Wayne Buffum, 1951	7 20
Arthur M. Lane, 1951	121 87
Earl and Janet Putnam, 1950	196 73
Earl and Janet Putnam, 1951	182 05
Ormand Richards, 1949	100 00
Ormand Richards, 1950	100 45
Ormand Richards, 1951	95 69
Alfred and Rose Smith, 1950	187 86
Lucy McMahon Est., 1950	128 83
Lucy McMahon Est., 1951	121 95
Charles A. Tuttle, 1949	128 20
Nelson and Annie Pecor, 1949	40 30
Bert Lawrence, 1950	43 63
Lewis A. Heath 1950	16 33
Horace and Marion Bascom, 1949	357 69
Glenn and Esther Lord, 1950	159 08
Alan Balch, 1950	10 36
Marion Chamberlain, 1949	182 11
Marion Chamberlain, 1950	125 55
Marion Chamberlain, 1951	124 25
Fred and Nellie Dodge, 1951	12 45
Theodore and Virginia Holbrook, 1951	136 40
Robert and Bertha McGee, 1951	111 48
	<hr/> \$ 2733 56
Town taxes, Louis L. Comstock, collector	\$175076 42

Highway Department

Tarring	\$ 768 84
Use of equipment	755 73
Gravel	749 28
	<hr/> \$ 2273 85

Miscellaneous

Baron R. Stowe, burial lot	\$ 20 00
Geo. S. Porter, lunch	1 50
D. V. Cahalane, leaves	1 50
Mrs. Elizabeth Woodhams, burial lot	10 00
David Conant, care of dog	7 50
V. F. W., beano	110 00
Pistol permits	5 50
	<hr/> \$ 156 00
Total	\$306249 71
Orders drawn, Nos. 1 to 651 inclusive	265314 99
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Balance	\$ 40934 72

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Walter H. Palmer, selectman	\$ 550 00
J. Frank Frohock, selectman	550 00
Alice E. Adams, selectman	550 00
Louis L. Comstock, tax collector	600 00
Louis L. Comstock, health officer	75 00
William S. Fairbanks, town clerk	200 00
William Miller, town treasurer	200 00
Oscar F. Adams, overseer of poor	150 00
Gladys L. Adams, secretary, trustee of trust funds	75 00
D. Howard Stearns, fire chief	100 00
Guy C. Dodge, superintendent sewer department, one half year	25 00
Raymond C. Dodge, superintendent sewer department, one half year	25 00
Eleanor C. Brown, auditor	58 50
Alta Currier, auditor	67 50
Walter G. Smith, auditor	8 00
Alice E. Adams, auditor (1951 account)	55 00
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	\$3289 00

Town Officers' Expense

Walter H. Palmer, mileage, attending state meetings and supplies	\$ 64 04
J. Frank Frohock, mileage, attending state meetings and supplies	129 80
Alice E. Adams, mileage, attending state meetings and supplies	27 79
William S. Fairbanks, supplies, postage, telephone	64 29
New England Tel. & Tel.	122 45
Perry & Willard, bonds for town officers	162 14
Recording transfers and mortgages	83 37
Wheeler & Clark, supplies	69 83
Town officers, dues in State associations	7 00
Woodbury, The Florist	15 00
Miscellaneous supplies	103 18
L. L. Comstock, town reports	398 85
L. L. Comstock, miscellaneous printing	111 85
Nelson C. Faught Co., adding machine	160 00
Civil Defense, supplies	7 48
Gertrude Cahalane, postage	54 00
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	\$1581 07

Election and Registration

Donad G. Harrington, moderator	\$ 61 25
Walter H. Palmer, election officer	40 00
J. Frank Frohock, election officer	40 00
Alice E. Adams, election officer	10 00
William S. Fairbanks, town clerk	40 00
M. Loraine Child, supervisor	78 00
Lora L. Spooner, supervisor	78 00
Edna A. Farrell, supervisor	78 00
Arthur M. Lane, ballot clerk	40 00
Leon Barry, ballot clerk	40 00
L. L. Comstock, ballot clerk	40 00
Fred W. Huntley, ballot clerk	30 00
L. L. Comstock, printing ballots, etc.	38 00
William Miller, election officer	20 00
Richard Reil, making new guard rails	18 00
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	\$ 651 25

Highway Department — Winter Account

John W. Morris, agent	\$ 1188 95
Labor	4970 75
Charlestown Garage, repairs and supplies	1274 46
American Oil Co., gasoline	778 31
Cray Oil Company, gasoline	445 22
Granite State Electric Co	10 92
Hired snow plowing	442 89
Willoughby's Garage, repairs and supplies	300 97
R. C. Hazelton Co., parts and repairs	620 62
B. W. Pease, fuel	52 94
Gravel	666 90
Perry & Willard, liability insurance	445 82
Charles LaFrank, lumber	3 00
Gas bought locally	116 19
Hercy Merrill, sawing wood	3 75
Freight and supplies	8 35
Fred Carman, shovel	200 00
Frank Whitcomb, blasting and compressor	586 09
Arthur Whitcomb, Inc., crane	269 80
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	\$12385 93

Highway Department — Summer Account

John W. Morris, agent	\$ 1902 40
Labor	7539 28
Charlestown Garage, repairs and supplies	1208 25

American Oil Co., gasoline	109 50
Cray Oil Company, gasoline	751 26
Granite State Electric Co.	13 03
Willoughby's Garage, repairs and supplies	316 50
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	145 43
B. W. Pease, fuel	149 88
Perry & Willard, insurance	25 58
Hired trucks	138 60
Joseph Trybulski, plowing	21 00
Gasoline bought locally	29 85
Adams & Adams Agency, insurance	334 31
Bridge plank	205 11
Aiken Construction Co., blasting	32 50
R. C. Hazelton & Co., supplies	237 84
Hardy Merrill, supplies and parts	52 70
R. N. Johnson, new chain saw	287 00
R. N. Johnson, posts	150 00
Freight, shovels, nails, etc.	38 41
R. C. Hazelton & Co., salt spreader	195 00
International Salt Co., salt	808 00
Holbrook Grocery Co., calcium chloride	135 23
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	\$14826 66

Highway Department

Total cost of highways (winter and summer) \$27212 59

Credits:

Road toll refund	\$ 406 35
Use of machinery and trucks	1880 71
Gravel sold	297 50
Cold patch sold	26 00
Tarring drives	258 42
Tarring school drives	400 17
School District, labor	203 35
Fire Department, gas used	26 24
Adams & Adams, insurance refund	16 60
Care of town dump	205 50
Fred Carman, repairs to truck	88 00
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	\$ 3806 84
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Net cost of highways	\$ 23405 75

The following is a condensed summary of the work done by the highway department:

Streets tarred, Willard, Whiskey, East, Cummings, Bank, Baldwin Court and the Causeway.

Two new streets, Marcy Ave., and Stanley Street were surveyed and built.

Willard Street to Baldwin Court was rebuilt.

Normand Ave. from Main Street to residence of Ralph Bashaw was graveled.

Bridge Street was widened and graveled.

The road from the railroad crossing to the corner, on the Kenneth Whitney road was graveled.

The road from Farwell's Mill to the cement bridge on the Unity road was widened and graveled.

Four bridges were re-planked, 150 fence posts were set in, new guard rail installed at Bert Wallace residence, new guard rail put on bridge at Nichol's place. Twelve miles of brush were cut.

Five culverts were installed. 7328 yards of gravel were drawn, 1000 yards of sand were used, and 40 tons of salt were used.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MORRIS, Road Agent

A section of road at Farwell's Mills washed into the Sugar River and created a problem in the highway department. The road was left open for one way traffic, however, for winter conditions the road either had to be fixed or closed completely to traffic. The Selectmen had contractors bid on the job and the lowest bid was \$3800.00. The Selectmen called in the Finance Committee, and the Highway Advisory Committee. These Committees and the Selectmen were unanimous in agreeing that the road should be fixed.

The contractor's prices seemed too high and it was decided to hire the necessary equipment and have the Town Highway Department do the balance of the work.

The job was done for the following costs:

Highway department labor	\$ 697 65
Frank Whitcomb, drilling and blasting	586 09
Arthur Whitcomb, shovel	229 80
Fred Carman, shovel	200 00
Insurance	40 00
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	\$1753 54

Town Road Aid

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, for town's share	\$ 768 35
Wages drawn in advance	\$2034 40
Trucks hired	2702 38
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	\$4736 78
Received from state	4736 78
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Total cost to town for 1952 T. R. A. project	\$ 768 35

Town Road Aid Report

Town road aid is work done on Class 5 roads. These roads are mail and school bus routes. \$5,890.70 was expended on this work in 1952, and the town's share of this expense was \$768.35, the State furnished the balance of this money. The work was done on the Unity road, and was under the supervision of a state highway engineer from the Keene office. Mr. Kenneth Whitney was the state timekeeper on this job. Mr. Whitney's report shows that: 241 trees were cut and removed. This does not include small trees and brush. 9/10 of a mile of brush was cut, 5338 yards of gravel were put on this section of road, culverts installed totaled 232 feet of various sizes, 3 tons of chloride were used, 22 marker posts were erected. The work done in 1952 was a continuation of the work started in 1951.

Surface Treatment

Trimount Bituminous Products Co., road tar	\$2143 35
Trimount Bituminous Products Co., cold patch	389 25
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	\$2532 60

Expenses Town Hall

Arthur LaForge, janitor	\$1161 00
B. W. Pease, fuel	803 15
Granite State Electric Co.	108 72
Perry & Willard, insurance	326 75
Hamlin I. G. A. Store, supplies	41 85
C. L. Haskell, fireproofing curtains	108 00
A. H. Streeter, plumbing and furnace repairs	94 56
Monier's Home Utilities, gas	8 25
Miscellaneous supplies	15 67
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	\$2667 95
Heating fire station	\$ 150 00
Rent of town hall	623 00
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	\$ 773 00
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	\$1894 95

Special Town Hall Appropriation

Richard J. Reil	\$1139 17
W. J. Hosking, painting	245 00
Bourdon's Co., window curtains	382 60
Wilbur E. Gould, floor refinish	275 00
Rick's Electric Shop, fixtures	100 00
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Total cost of repairing and redecorating	\$2141 77

Police Department

Ralph Willoughby, chief, salary and telephone	\$1421 75
Augustus Maltais, police duty	480 90
Howard Foshey, police duty	74 60
Robert W. Stone, police duty	103 00
Arthur LaForge, police duty	6 00
Ralph Davis, police duty	8 00
Harry Warcup, police duty	8 00
Harold Ward, police duty	15 80
Perry & Willard, insurance	25 68
Richard J. Reil, "No Parking" stencil	12 00
Rick's Electric Shop, labor, supplies on traffic light	44 63
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\$2200 36

Calls received and investigated	363
Motor vehicle accidents	48
Persons injured in motor vehicle accidents	21
Persons given nights lodging	42
AWOLs apprehended	3
Basketball games policed	
Public dances policed	

Arrests:

Speedings	33
Failing to have car under control	4
Failing to stay to right of highway	2
Reckless driving	2

My sincere thanks to any and all who have assisted me in any manner during the year 1952.

Respectfully submitted

RALPH A. WILLOUGHBY,
Chief of Police

Municipal Court

Richard H. Perry, Justice, (set by Chapter 224 of the Laws of 1951)	\$ 300 00
Charles A. Smith, Associate Justice	3 00
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	\$ 303 00

Fire Department

Granite State Electric Co.	\$ 53 92
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	117 91
N. H. Fire & Safety Equipment Co.	
Running board bracket, battery	\$ 19 68
Nozzles, masks and helmets	283 30
2 pair Rockwood applicator holders and rust preventative	33 41
Foam liquid, foam nozzle	75 96
Chemical extinguisher	62 50
Scott air pack gas mask	247 20
Deluge gun	390 00
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	\$1112 95
Justin A. McCarthy Co.	
Ladder	\$ 55 32
Hose	808 50
Hose, nozzles	203 36
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	\$1067 18
American LaFrance Foamite Corp., supplies	6 10
Emery's Esso Service, chains, chamois, etc.	60 80
Maurice Zing, retirement fund	66 00
Charlestown Garage, repairs, supplies	11 00
Adin M. Houghton, supplies	12 00
Rick's Electric Shop, wiring, supplies, labor	97 34
Richard J. Reil, new doors, cement apron	760 00
Hamlin I. G. A. Store, paint, supplies, etc.	30 27
Supplies	15 13
A. H. Streeter, moving heater	40 71
D. Howard Stearns, fire chief's convention	25 00
Perry & Willard, Workmen's Comp. insurance	103 67
Adams & Adams, insurance	159 10
Gasoline, credit highway department	26 24
Ralph R. Davis, steward	75 00
Salaries, 22 firemen @ \$25.00	550 00
Clerk's salary	15 00
Labor at fire station	26 00

Underwriter's Test		4 00
Operating resuscitator		10 00
Overpayment on Voucher No. 172		10 00
Fire warden's meeting		15 35
3 Alarms	\$ 40 00	
2 Car fires	9 00	
2 Oil fires	5 00	
1 Forest fire	25 20	
11 Chimney fires	32 00	
8 Dump fires	37 40	
2 Still alarms	5 00	
7 Grass fires	43 50	
1 Trailer (Claremont fire)	12 50	
1 Bellows Falls, Vt., fire	96 00	
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		\$ 305 60
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		\$4776 27
Coal, credit town hall account		150 00
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		\$4926 27
Received from Bellows Falls, Vt., fire	\$ 314 00	
Received from D. Baker, fighting grass fire	20 20	
Adams & Adams, insurance refund	24 52	
Refund for overpayment on Voucher No. 172	10 00	
Forest Fire Training School	9 18	
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		\$ 377 90
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Net cost of fire department		\$4548 37

The 1927 Stewart fire truck was disposed of by the Fire Chief and the Selectmen. This action was authorized by the Finance Committee. The New Hampshire Fire & Safety Company took the old truck and delivered a new model FZZ Portable Pump and two (2) 10 foot lengths of hard section hose. The new equipment was valued at \$450.00.

The following three paragraphs are taken from a letter to the Selectmen from the New Hampshire Board of Underwriters.

"Our recent tests and inspection reveal that an American LaFrance combination pumper and tanker has been placed in service and that a new surplus pumping unit has also been acquired. These additions, however, do not create the required amount of credits and properly balanced protection necessary for reduction.

We understand, however, that a program of improvements are to be continued, and on that basis we are willing to place you temporarily in the more preferential rate class when rates are readjusted with the understanding that overall improvements will be continued in your community at an early date which will make it possible for you to qualify for this improved class.

Please be assured of our full cooperation and assistance in your development of your program of improved fire protection."

Very truly yours,

(signed) A. C. HUDSON
Secretary

Beginning February 1, 1953, fire insurance rates in Charlestown were reclassified. The reclassification of rates will result in substantial savings to the majority of fire insurance policy holders in town.

Resuscitator Drive

The following 10 organizations sponsored the drive for the purchase of a resuscitator:

American Legion	North Charlestown Grange
Mother's Club	Charlestown Grange
Rotary	North Charlestown Mother's Club
Firemen	Veterans of Foreign Wars Post
Masonic Order	I. O. O. F. Order

A brief financial summary of the Drive follows:

Collected by public subscription		\$ 861 91
Paid for the resuscitator	\$ 605 00	
Paid for additional oxygen tanks	32 87	
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		\$ 637 87
Balance		\$ 224 04

The committee voted that the resuscitator should be kept at the fire station.

Chief Stearns reports that seven (7) people are qualified to use the resuscitator under a Doctor's supervision. The resuscitator has been used during four emergencies to date.

Taxes Bought by the Town (1951 Levy)

Horace and Marion Bascom	\$ 314 86
Albert Bashaw	32 08
Haskel Benware	22 10
William H. and Vena Bailey	15 30

Marien Chamberlain	118 75
Louis Chartier	22 10
Maurice and Ida Cilley	130 50
Robert D. D. and Margaret Davis	90 20
Fred G. and Nellie E. Dodge	10 30
William Dunmore	90 20
Chester M. Grant	184 34
Theodore and Virginia Holbrook	134 50
Arthur M. Lane	118 97
Robert and Bertha McGee	109 58
Lucy McMahon Estate	118 97
Nelson and Annie Pecor	32 55
Earl P. and Janet Putnam	176 60
Orman Richards	90 20
Charles W. and Dorris Ring	234 20
Leslie P. Streeter	41 20
Charles and Bessie Tuttle	61 35
Clifford V. Wilson	61 35
Wayne Buffam	7 20
Mary O. Emerson	147 80

\$2365 20

Taxes and interest	\$2275 20
L. L. Comstock, collector's fees paid	90 00
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	\$2365 20

Tax Abatements

Mildred Bouck, for Veteran's exemption	\$ 60 00
Ira R. Moore, over assessment	81 00
Ernest Benware, for Veteran's exemption	60 00
L. Josefrow, over assessment on stock in trade and trailer	150 00
Perley Perkins, for Veteran's exemption	60 00
Earle French, for Veteran's exemption	60 00
Orman Richards, overpayment	60 00
George and Ruth Smith, over assessment on trailer	45 00
1950 poll taxes not collectable	14 00
1951 poll taxes not collectable	32 00
1952 poll taxes not collectable	64 00
1951 property tax not collectable	11 00
1952 property tax not collectable	240 00
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	\$ 937 00

Library

E. P. Barber, treasurer	\$1000 00
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Street Lighting

Granite State Electric Co.	\$2502 00
Connecticut Valley Electric Co. Inc.	246 00

\$2748 00

Swimming Pool

Paul Johnson supervisor	\$ 420 00
Labor	27 50
Kurt Foshey guard	250 00
Wirthmore Feed Co., material	11 49
George D. Nourse, supplies	6 23
Richard J. Reil, new bathhouse	400 00

\$1115 22

Town Dump

Wirthmore Feed Co., fence and posts	\$ 96 50
Fence and posts	\$ 96 50
Charge for care of dump by highway department	205 50

Total cost of town dump \$ 302 00

Care of Trees

B. F. Lawrence Tree Expert Co., spraying	\$ 150 00
B. F. Lawrence Tree Expert Co., cutting down trees	395 00
Labor by highway department	155 62

\$ 700 62

Auto Permits

William S. Fairbanks, town clerk	\$ 624 50
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Bounties

Bounties paid	\$ 13 00
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Timber Tax Account

Claude Tenney	\$ 113 68
Miller Bros.	38 50
Miller Bros., and Stanley Miller	17 50

Total timber taxes paid to tax collector from deposits \$ 169 68

Balance of timber tax deposits refunded

Claude Tenney	\$ 86 25
Miller Bros. Lumber Co.	73 50

\$ 159 75

Surveying Section Charlestown-Langdon Town Line	
Charles Snow, Jr., surveying	\$ 15 00
J. Frank Frohock	10 00
Walter H. Palmer	5 00
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	\$ 30 00

Old Age Assistance

Amount paid by State of New Hampshire Department of Public Welfare to persons in Charlestown who receive old age assistance	\$18713 52
The Town of Charlestown pays 25% of this amount to the state	4678 38

Town Poor Account

Oscar F. Adams, overseer, from selectmen	\$3880 82
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Cemeteries

Forest Hill Cemetery	
Lewis Russell, sexton	\$ 286 50
Labor	432 60
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	\$ 719 10

Hope Hill	
Lewis Russell, sexton	\$ 111 00
Labor	198 50
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	\$ 309 50

General Expense	
Fellows Gear Shaper, drafting, repairing and photostating cemetery map	\$ 70 55
Sharpening mowers	16 50
Perry & Willard, insurance	14 40
Hamlin I. G. A. Store, supplies	9 69
Charlestown Garage, repairs and supplies	10 65
H. C. Fogg, wheelbarrow and power motor tires	21 90
A. H. Streeter, supplies	1 00
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	\$ 144 69

Total Cemetery Expense	
Forest Hill	\$ 719 10
Hope Hill	309 50
General expense	144 69
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	\$1173 29
Credit, sale of leaves	1 50
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Net cost of cemeteries	\$1171 79
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Interest

Lincoln R. Young Co., temporary loans	\$ 646 88
Amoskeag National Bank, payloader note	61 89
Connecticut River National Bank, fire truck notes	240 00
Trustee of Trust Funds, water note	32 00
First National Bank, water note	4 70
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	\$ 986 47

Indebtedness

Lincoln R. Young Co., temporary loans	\$75000 00
Amoskeag National Bank, payloader note	2000 00
Trustee of Trust Fund, water note	800 00
Water Department, Snumshire replacement	4800 00
Connecticut River National Bank, fire truck note	3000 00
First National Bank, water note	1354 38
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	\$86954 38

Outlay for New Equipment

Sargent Motors, new International truck (1952)	\$1645 00
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Special Appropriations

American Legion, Memorial Day exercises	\$ 100 00
Old Home Day Celebration, Fred H. Perry, treasurer	100 00
Graphic Microfilm of New England, microfilming records	116 84
Cummings Ave., sewer appropriation, surveying	10 00
Buckley, Zoph & Sayce, legal fees	255 20
Town clock, Frank L. Adams Co., painting	\$39 80
Electric timer	15 00
Robert Clifford	30 00
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	84 80
Dog damage	77 85
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	\$2389 69

Health Department

Vaccinations	\$ 48 85
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Blister Rust

William Messeck, Jr., state forester	\$ 400 00
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Vital Statistics

Reporting births, deaths and marriages	\$ 97 00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

County tax		\$12443 19
School District, balance 1951-1952		
appropriation	\$40689 97	
Paid in 1952-1952 appropriation	48500 00	
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		\$101633 16

Miscellaneous

Lewis T. Russell, care of monument	\$	10 00
Sewer Department, casualty insurance		23 83
Water Department, casualty and auto insurance		49 91
Perry & Willard, money and securities policy		168 75
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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Town of Charlestown, N. H.:

The following is a report of all automobiles taxed in the Town of Charlestown from January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952.

Total receipts	\$8881 28
Paid town treasurer	\$8881 28

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. FAIRBANKS

Town Clerk

DOG ACCOUNT

To the Town of Charlestown, N. H.:

The following is a report of dogs licensed in the Town of Charlestown during the year 1952.

Number of dogs licensed		329
Amount received: Males	\$ 366 00	
Amount received: Spayed	180 00	
Amount received: Females	110 00	
Amount received: Kennel	84 00	
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Total receipts	\$ 740 00	
Town Clerk's fee	65 80	
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Paid Town Treasurer	\$ 674 20	

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. FAIRBANKS

Town Clerk

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS, 1952

Fred H. Perry, Lovell E. Comstock, Gladys L. Adams, Trustees

Accounts received in 1952 for the following cemetery lots:

Frank B. Towner	\$ 100 00
Harry, Myrtle, Leslie and Leona Spaulding	\$ 100 00

The following widows received the benefit from the Porter Widows' Fund:

Sadie Williams	\$ 32 00
Edith Straw	32 00
Fanny Nash	32 00
Grace Titus	32 00
Alice Cross	32 00
Josephine Quimby	32 00
Myra Hall	32 00
Helen Kinson	32 00
Angie Blanchard	32 00
Ella M. King	32 00
Sarah Fisk	32 00
Emma LaForge	32 00
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	\$ 384 00

The town paid off the last water note of \$800.00 held by the Trust funds.

The following list of stock held by the trust funds issued special distributions this year: Nation Wide Sec., American Business Shares, National Investors Corp., Mass. Investors Trust, Incorporated Investors, Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund and Chemical Fund.

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Charlestown, N. H., on December 31, 1952

TRUST FUNDS		How Invested	Amt. of Prin.	Bal. of Income on hand at beginning of year	Income during Year	Expended during Year	Bal. of Income On Hand at End of Year
Purpose of Creation							
SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY—1906		Chase. Nat. Bank, stock	\$ 2299 95		\$ 168 00		
Income to be used towards support of Library.		Pub. Ser. Co. of N. H.	915 00		33 50		
		New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	1588 44		110 62		
		Cent. Vt. Public Ser. Corp.	1030 00		51 80		
		N. H. Fire Ins. Co.	2412 50		125 00		
		Chemical Fund	1263 75		67 32		
		National Investors Corp.	644 40		30 90		
		Mass. Investors Trust	1985 87		135 59		
		Am. Business Shares	1298 30		49 89		
		U. S. Bonds	2500 00		62 50		
		Eaton & Howard Balanced Funds	747 00		48 25		
		Nation Wide Sec. Co. Inc.	766 50		45 00		
		Incorporated Investors	1269 00		77 56		
		Conn. River Nat. Bank	29 47	\$ 60 62	2 36		
		Certificate of Beneficial Int.	1305 20				
		Totals	\$20055 38	\$ 60 62	\$1008 29	\$ 500 00	\$ 568 91
SWAN FUND—1903		Chase. Nat. Bank, stock	\$ 331 20		\$ 18 00		
Interest to be used for support of schools.		Certificate of Beneficial Int.	50 55				
		Conn. River National Bank	7 08		11		
		Totals	\$ 388 83		\$ 18 11	\$ 18 11	
WIDOWS FUND—1862		Peerless Casualty Co.	\$ 958 50		66 60		
Ashael Porter		Claremont Sav. Bank			6 43		
John C. Fairbrother		Chase National Bank, stock	294 40		16 00		
Maria Holden		New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	1059 02		119 84		
Income paid to widows		Gen. Vt. Public Ser. Corp.	1000 00		51 80		
		Mass. Investors Trust	2499 35		153 71		
		U. S. Bonds	1000 00		25 00		
		Certificate of Beneficial Int.	873 98				
		Conn. River Nat. Bank	4 40		2 44		
		Totals	\$ 7689 65	\$ 90 21	\$ 441 82	\$ 384 00	\$ 148 03

CHAS. H. HOYT FUND—1920 Income to be used for care of highway sur- rounding the estate	Chase Nat. Bank, stock	\$ 1840 00	\$ 100 00	
	N. H. Fire Ins. Co.	2387 50	125 00	
	Century Shares	1001 75	42 75	
	Irving Trust Co.	496 88	27 50	
	Certificate of Beneficial Int. Conn. River Nat. Bank	428 93 7 84	15 03	
	Totals	\$ 6162 90	\$ 1584 77	\$ 1265 00 \$ 630 05
CHARLES HOYT Mausoleum FUND—1925 Care of Hoyt lot	Mass. Investors Trust	\$ 2000 00	\$ 226 09	\$ 552 00
	Chase Nat. Bank, stock (accum. int.)		30 00	608 74
	Conn. River National Bank		4 71	\$ 60 00
	Totals	\$ 2000 00	\$ 959 94	\$ 60 00 \$ 1160 74
CEMETERIES—1881 Income to be used for care of cemetery lots	Peerless Casualty Co.	\$ 230 00	\$ 13 50	
	Chase Nat. Bank, stock	36 80	2 00	
	New Eng. Tel & Tel. Co.	3382 66	258 10	
	N. H. Fire Ins. Co.	1472 00	80 00	
	Mass. Investors Trust	8105 59	518 78	
	Eaton & Howard, balanced fund	2899 40	127 03	
	Nation Wide Sec. Co. Inc.	3931 20	181 15	
	Town Water note		32 00	
	Chemical Fund	7147 39	232 90	
	Sale of iron chair		10 00	
	Nat. City Bank of N. Y., stock	2046 00	88 00	
	National Dairy Products	245 00	15 00	
	Certificate of Beneficial Int.	807 24		
	Walpole Sav. Bank	100 00	\$ 2276 03	68 79 \$ 2344 82
	Conn. River Nat. Bank	6 96	1600 32	18 31 2072 98
	Totals	\$ 30410 24	\$ 3876 35	\$ 1104 11 \$ 4417 66

OVERSEER OF POOR — 1952

Oscar F. Adams

Name	Food	Fuel	Medical	Board & Care	Rent	Total
Benware, Nelson	\$ 520 00	\$ 220 82			\$ 30 00	\$ 740 82
Blanchard, Angie		26 05				56 05
Dunmore, William				\$ 576 00		576 00
Hazelton, Maybelle				820 55		820 55
King, Ella			\$ 53 00			53 00
Leslie Streeter for Harry Streeter			772 03			772 03
Titus, Grace		53 90				53 90
Soldier No. 1				229 55		229 55
Soldier No. 2	164 04	22 38				186 42
Soldier No. 3				392 50		392 50
					Total	\$3880 82
					Amount received from Selectmen	\$3880 82

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1950 Dr.	
Unpaid poll taxes Jan. 1, 1952	\$ 24 00
Interest collected	1 00
	\$ 25 00

Cr.	
Paid treasurer	\$ 25 00
1951 Dr.	
Uncollected property taxes Dec. 31, 1951	\$18694 04
Uncollected poll taxes Dec. 31, 1951	212 00
Interest collected on property taxes	525 05
Interest collected on poll taxes	14 40
	\$19445 49

Cr.	
Paid treasurer	\$19400 59
Uncollected poll taxes Dec. 31, 1952	18 00
Uncollected property taxes (timber) Dec. 31, 1952	26 90
	\$19445 49

1952 Dr.	
Property tax warrant	\$171145 84
Added taxes	102 00
Poll tax warrant	2186 00
Timber tax warrant	1076 08
Interest collected on property taxes	11 41
Interest collected on poll taxes	33 40
	\$174554 73

Cr.	
Paid treasurer	\$155650 83
Unpaid property taxes Dec. 31, 1952	18589 90
Unpaid poll taxes Dec. 31, 1952	314 00
	\$174554 73

LOUIS L. COMSTOCK, Tax Collector

MUNICIPAL COURT

The following is the report for the Municipal Court for the year 1952.

Total number of complaints	41	
Motor vehicles		35
Fish and game		1
Juvenile		2
Non-support		2
Disturbing peace		1
		— 41
Financial Report		
Amount received for fines		\$ 365 00
Amount received from Bail Commissioners		226 00
Total amount received		\$ 591 00
Amount Paid:		
Motor vehicle department	\$ 189 00	
Fish and game	4 50	
Town of Charlestown, court cases	171 50	
Town of Charlestown, bail cases	226 00	
	—————	\$ 591 00

You will notice a slight deviation from and innovation to the procedure of the Municipal Court during the year 1952. The legislature of 1950 empowered the Municipal Court Justices of the various towns in the state to install what is called the Bailiff System where none existed, and to appoint Bail Commissioners, usually two or three, to accept bail from traffic violators when the Municipal Court is not in session. This is usually at night or on Sundays. A brief explanation of the Bailiff System is this:

If the Chief of Police happens to be on duty in the evening or on Sundays and stops a motor vehicle for speeding and the violator cannot be brought before the Municipal Court, he is taken to one of the Bail Commissioners who sets the amount of the bail, usually \$10.00 and notifies the defendant to appear in court the following week or default the amount of his bail. Usually he does not return and the money is then paid to the town. Two dollars of the bail is kept by the bail commissioner. The advantage of this is that none of the money is paid over to the State of New Hampshire.

This system started in March and continued until August when it was discontinued. After a conference with Mr. Palmer and Mr. Willoughby it was continued for two more months when it was suspended indefinitely. However, during the seven months of the existence of the Bailiff System there was collected and turned over to the town \$226.00. During this short time the fol-

lowing officers were on duty and the number of speed violators taken by each is as follows:

Chief of Police Ralph Willoughby	8
Special Officer Howard Foshey	2
Special Officer Augustus Maltais	17

These officers were on duty but part time and yet were able to stop 27 speeders, practically all on Main Street. You can easily see how many speeders would be stopped if the town appoints a full time policeman, and that a considerable sum of money would be collected, enough to pay a regular policeman nearly all or more than it would cost the town for a full time man. If this is done and the speeding is stopped on our Main Street that alone would be worth the small additional cost of a full time man. There have been many near accidents on this street as you all know, and if we can prevent just one death we should take immediate action to insure against such a tragedy. Until this is done we have not made Main Street safe for pedestrians, especially our school children.

The Bailiff System is not new to New Hampshire. Many towns have it and find it is a successful and necessary part of their court system.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. PERRY

Municipal Court Justice

WATER DEPARTMENT

Expense

Guy C. Dodge, supt., labor and miscellaneous expense	\$ 248 64
Raymond C. Dodge, supt., labor and miscellaneous expense	121 95
All other labor	2307 35
Granite State Electric Co.	43 80
St. Johnsbury Trucking	24 06
Bradford Price Book	15 00
Warren Pipe Co.	868 18
Geo. A. Caldwell Co., supplies	389 43
Emery's Esso Service	3 55
Sumner & Dunbar, supplies	315 93
Johnson-Barker-Webb Corp., supplies	965 21
Cement Lined Pipe Co., pipe	268 50
Willoughby's Garage, repairs	6 25
Gay's Express	19 45
H. P. Welch Express	14 91
Hamlin I. G. A. Store, supplies	6 50
W. S. Fairbanks, gas	43 33

Louis Comstock, printing	33 00
Red Hed Mfg. Co., supplies	154 61
New Hampshire Water Works Association	5 00
American Magazine	4 00
Claremont Water & Sewer Departments, tapping mains	65 92
Brown Company, chlorine	68 75
William Brooks, plowing road	14 00
Buckley, Zoff & Sayce, legal service	14 08
Blain & Son, trenching and laying pipe	72 00
Richard Highter, delivering notices	4 00
A. H. Streeter, supplies	53 32
Wirthmore Feed Co., brick, cement, etc.	41 70
Badger Meter Mfg. Co.	15 84
W. S. Howland, tending chlorinator	182 00
Hartford Oil Co., kerosene	13 43
Rex Green, express	2 75

\$6406 44

Water Department Equipment and Supplies

Pipe and fittings	\$ 550 00
Meters	465 00
Pumps	215 00
Hoes, shovels and torches	20 00
Pipe tools	40 00
Hydrant repairs	55 25
Gate valves	150 00
Jack hammer	288 00
Miscellaneous	40 00
Two-thirds cost of truck	800 00
One hydrant	100 00
Jute and calking compound	25 00

\$2748 25

Collected for Labor and Supplies

Alexander MacCormack, 1952	\$ 35 00
W. E. Newcomb, 1952	110 00
Donald Woods, 1952	34 94
George Moulton, 1952	42 00
Ernest Royce, 1952	4 30
Charles Holman, 1952	11 86
Jacobs Machine Co., 1952	21 20
Maude E. Reed, 1952	30 27
Gertrude Haselton, 1952	18 70
A. H. Sayce, 1952	50 86
Sabin Fisk, 1952	12 35

Charlestown School, 1952	34 47
Herbert Knight, 1952	34 66
Richard Perry, 1951	61 76
Mrs. Frank Cross, 1951	51 48
Leo Poisson, 1950	19 62

\$ 573 47

Uncollected for Labor and Supplies

1946	\$ 72 13
1948	25 88
1951	102 37
1952	361 69
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	\$ 562 07

WATER COMMISSION

O. C. Young, Secretary and Treasurer

January 1, 1953

Balance on hand	\$ 2739 30
Received of D. V. Cahalane, collector, water rents	7268 66
Received of Raymond Dodge, labor and supplies	504 34
School District Treasurer, labor and supplies	34 47
Snumshire Construction Account	400 00
Trust Account	55 20
Mr. Knights, labor and supplies	24 66
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Total receipts and 1951 balance	\$11026 63
Paid to Raymond Dodge, for all purposes of his department (labor of all kinds and supplies)	\$ 6550 01
Perry & Willard, bonds for treasurer and collector	10 00
D. V. Cahalane, postage	30 90
Town of Charlestown, note and interest	832 00
Blaine & Son, construction	940 00
Warren Pipe Co. of Mass., replacement pipe	340 73
Gay's Express Co., express	24 31
Snumshire Construction Account	864 57
Salaries of Water Commission	275 00
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	42 91
Boston & Maine R. R., annual pipe line privileges	5 00
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Total paid out	\$9915 43
Total receipts	\$11026 63
Total paid out	9915 43
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Balance on deposit in Conn. River Nat. Bank, checking account	\$ 1111 20
Sinking fund on deposit in Conn. River Nat. Bank, savings account	932 84
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Total	\$2044 04

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WATER COMMISSION

There has been rather more activity in the Water Department during 1952 than there is in an average year.

Repairs to the aquaduct system and new pipe line replacements have been the predominant activities.

Replacements of small pipe, 1 inch or a little more, in the northwest part of the village, by 6 in. cement lined pipe and 6 in. pipe in new areas.

The Lyon development of new homes on Geer Hill has included 6 in. pipe from the highway to the new homes. The Water Department furnished the new pipe and laid it, Mr. Lyon furnished the open ditch and covered the pipe. The Water Department paid their part out of regular income of the system.

The same arrangement was made by Mr. Herbert Knight and his household, which gives water by means of 1¼ inch cement lined pipe. The Water Department furnished the pipe and the expense of laying it. The takers of water paid for digging and filling the ditch.

At the annual Town Meeting of March, 1952, it was voted that the town borrow \$4800.00 to extend 6 inch pipe at the north portion of the system for about 2-5 of a mile. This was done and the sum of \$1360.08 was not required to complete the project. This sum was therefore returned to the Town and the Selectmen paid it to the bank from which it was borrowed. This reduced the total cost of this project to something less than \$3500.00. There was a small interest to be paid, and was paid.

The Water Department suffered an almost irreparable loss in the sudden passing of the Superintendent, Guy C. Dodge.

Mr. Dodge had developed a personal interest in the maintenance of the water systems, and knew all its intricate phases. His son, Raymond, and Mrs. Dodge took up the work and carried the various phases to a satisfactory solution.

The chlorination system has operated satisfactorily under the daily inspection of William Howland, who lives nearby.

The Snumshire extension is to be paid for from income of the Water Department, \$800.00 annually.

The community supplied by the public water system is very fortunate in this public utility.

O. C. YOUNG, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF WATER RENTS

Balance on hand	\$ 30 86
Rents to collect	7014 02
Previous uncollected	1496 43
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	\$8541 31
Overpayment by D. V. C.	25 26
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Total	\$8566 57
Paid O. C. Young, treasurer	\$7268 66
Uncollected, 1952	948 32
Previous uncollected	349 59
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Total	\$8566 57

D. V. CAHALANE, Collector

REPORT OF SEWER COMMISSION

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952		\$1839 22
Rentals, 1951	\$ 397 77	
Rentals, 1952	1529 25	
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		\$1927 02
Labor and Materials		
Donold Wood	\$ 29 00	
Collected, 1951	22 10	
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		\$ 51 10
Total receipts		<hr/>
		\$3817 34

Expenditures

Guy C. Dodge, supt., labor and miscellaneous expense	\$ 91 00
Raymond Dodge, supt., labor and miscellaneous expense	34 00
Rex Green, labor	628 00
Rex Smith, labor	446 00
All other labor	178 20
W. S. Fairbanks, gas	36 99
Johnson-Barker-Webb Inc., sewer pipe	36 00
Wirthmore Feed Co., cement, brick, etc.	30 82

Emery's Esso Service, oil and repairs	9 00	
Perry & Willard, bond	5 00	
E. R. Wiggins, brick and tile	121 12	
Vermont Foundries Inc., catch basin		
frame and covers	60 20	
Lottie Dodge, brick, stamps, etc.	19 44	
Bragg Lumber Co., cement	3 60	
Hartford Oil Co.	7 23	
Town of Charlestown, workmen's insurance	23 83	
Louis Comstock, printing	4 50	
Willoughby's Garage	3 85	
	<hr/>	\$1738 78
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1953		\$2048 56
Uncollected rentals, 1951	\$ 89 50	
Uncollected rentals, 1952	524 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 614 00
Uncollected labor and materials, 1947	\$ 30 97	
Uncollected labor and materials, 1949	35 70	
Uncollected labor and materials, 1951	46 06	
Uncollected labor and materials, 1952	55 97	
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		\$ 782 70

Sewer Department Equipment and Supplies

Sewer pipe and fittings	\$ 150 00	
Sewer tools	600 00	
Hoes, shovels and torches	20 00	
one-third value of truck	400 00	
	<hr/>	\$1170 00

STATEMENT OF CHARLESTOWN OLD HOME DAY ASSOCIATION

Receipts

Balance on hand, 1951	\$ 70 87	
Town appropriation	100 00	
Received from dance	20 25	
Received from dinner	201 33	
	<hr/>	\$ 392 45

Disbursements

Sarah Fisk, expense to state meeting	\$ 4 23	
Olive King, postage	7 45	
Prizes	66 00	
M. Fletcher, comedian	20 00	
C. T. Lumbra, loud speaker	5 00	
Beatrice Olden, postage	1 00	
Cecil Fisk, telephone	5 00	
Sarah Fisk, expense	1 40	
R. W. Miner, band	50 00	
Sarah Fisk, postage	1 06	
L. L. Comstock, printing	15 00	
Balance on hand	216 31	
	<hr/>	\$ 392 45

Respectfully submitted,

FRED H. PERRY, Treasurer

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

Received from town		\$ 100 00
Flags	\$ 27 00	
Flowers, Comstock	10 00	
Wreaths, \$3.50 each	15 00	
Loud speaker	4 00	
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	\$ 56 00	
High School band	\$ 40 00	
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	\$ 96 00	
Balance back	\$ 4 00	
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SWIMMING POOL REPORT

To: Selectmen

Subject: Swimming Pool

Below are the facts and opinions I have concerning the swimming pool. They are set forth in a desire to present a brief but complete picture.

We all realize the value of and the need for proper summer recreation. Our pool can and does serve this purpose to a modified extent. Early in the summer a large crowd of children make use of the pool and its facilities, yet, in August, due to the lack of water causing the water level to be lower, the water to be muddy and an offensive odor to arise, the attendance falls off sharply.

A survey of the pool area discloses a new bath house, a pool with insufficient water toward the end of the season and adequate life-guard protection. The last is of importance to parents, and I feel the Selectmen have gone out of their way to insure such protection.

The most essential need according to authorities is water and water pressure. Additional water will aid in maintaining a steady flow at the flash gates, thereby removing the silt, weeds and leaves contributing to the pool's unsightly appearance. The lack of attendance in the latter part of the summer is due primarily to the pool's uninviting appearance. Adequate water will also mean the possibility of eventually adding a water fountain and toilet facilities. Water pressure will furnish the method of washing out the pool in the spring.

Due to constant use, the side of the pool toward the shallow end is wearing back, revealing many stones with quite sharp edges. The entire bottom of the pool is a mixture of stone and mud, and because of this the north side is very seldom used. Although the chilly water is acceptable to the children, it is possible that a bottom of different construction might better hold the heat of the sun.

Estimates of prices regarding the remodeling of the pool are as follows: For a cement wall surrounding the pool, \$2700; for a complete cement bottom for the pool, two to three times this amount, depending upon the condition of the present bottom. These figures are based on a pool 150 feet long, 50 feet wide, and graduating from 9 to 2 feet in depth, a size necessary to accommodate the number of swimmers using the pool.

Many minor problems present themselves regarding next season. Personnel is always doubtful until spring. Under present conditions the salary scale is adequate, although some vacation arrangement might be provided. Several of the trees shading the pool should be taken down. The outside wall at the deep end of the pool requires repair. This can be accomplished by a new wall or filling in behind the present one with gravel. All of the equipment needs repainting, and a new diving board and method of securing it are desirable.

A future program of progressive tests, awards and competitions has been devised to expand and further the interest in swimming and it is hoped that the swimming pool can be made a recreation area that is safe, instructive and attractive.

PAUL JOHNSON, Life Guard

WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL

Financial Statement, Town of Charlestown, 1952

Town funds expended	\$ 398 70	
Cooperative funds expended	101 44	
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Total expended		\$ 500 14
Received from town	\$ 400 00	
Expended from town funds	398 70	
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Balance due town		\$ 1 30
Area covered 1388 acres		
Currant and gooseberry bushes destroyed 1266		

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FUTURE IMPROVEMENT OF CHARLESTOWN

This committee has had several meetings during the past year, with a selectman present, and discussed several projects which would be for the improvement and betterment of Charlestown and its citizens. Some of these are:

Better lighting of Charlestown streets.

Acquiring of land for playground and development in vicinity of swimming pool and tennis court.

Development of swimming pool.

Sewage disposal plants.

Additional source of water for our present system.

In the matter of more adequate lighting of our streets, Mr. John Usher, of the Granite State Electric Company, at one of our meetings, gave us information on better lighting, and stated that some of the old style lights on the side streets would be replaced as soon as materials were available. We understand that two or three new flood lights are to be installed in the business district on Main Street.

Most of our time and efforts were centered on the water and sewage angle. We contacted the Barker Wheeler firm of Albany, New York; and its representative, Mr. Kessler, has been over twice to consult with us. He has given an estimate as to the cost of the initial survey and report on these most important projects. The survey would cover the following:

Preparation of maps to a scale of 1 inch = 100 feet, showing existing water and sewage mains in Charlestown and Bridge area and North Charlestown.

Preliminary report, outlining means for water supply—improvement and sewage treatment.

This will not include any contract plans or specifications. Cost, not to exceed \$1200.

The committee recommends that a sum not to exceed \$1200 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of a survey of existing water and sewage systems, and plans for future development of additional water supply and sewage treatment.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRILL WEEKS
VERNE BRADISH
ROLFE JACOBS
THEODORE FRIZZELL
HAROLD MOFFATT
CEDRIC LUMBRA

MONUMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Monument Committee

Hessler T. Gates, Sr., Edward Davis, John Davis, Jr.,
 Mrs. Jim Cobb, Ralph Davis Earl Putnam,
 Charles Snow, Horace Holden, Harold Moffatt

The monument committee after deliberating on ideas and sketches submitted have reached a point of definite design. The next step, which is now in progress, is the contacting of businesses and manufacturers which will be involved in the construction of the final monument. With these feelers out the progress of the committee will be of a much speedier nature in the future than has perhaps been the case in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD K. MOFFATT,
 Secretary Monument Committee

REPORT OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Measles, mumps, whooping cough and chicken pox are the only contagious diseases which have been reported during the past year.

Samples of water from both the village and North Charlestown supplies have been submitted to the State Board of Health laboratory for analysis during the year at various times. The results have been satisfactory.

All in all, Charlestown seems to have enjoyed a very healthy year.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS L. COMSTOCK,
 Health Officer

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO BRING THE HISTORY OF CHARLESTOWN UP TO DATE

The committee elected in 1947 included Ethel Fisk, Grace E. Hunt, Anne Crowey, S. Abbie Spooner and Martha Frizzell. Belle Miller was invited by the committee to serve also. Martha Frizzell was elected chairman. Of the above committee Anne Crowey has removed from town and S. Abbie Spooner has died. The remainder of the committee makes the following report.

An outline of the proposed history was made at the beginning of the work. It was impossible to know in advance what or how much information was obtainable, and the plan has been somewhat modified and changed as the work has progressed. The following is the present plan of the book.

I EARLY RESUME. A brief sketch of the early history of the town for the benefit of those not fortunate enough to own a "History of Charlestown."

II TOWN BUSINESS. At one time there was an article in the warrant to have the town records indexed but the cost seemed prohibitive. This section attempts to summarize business done by the town through the years in such a way that the need for an index is at least partially solved. The keeping of records is of questionable value if no one knows where to find anything in them. This section also covers the history of all town property and services—town hall, cemeteries, library, schools, highways, fire department, water and sewer, list of town officers, etc.

III BUSINESS. Mercantile, manufacturing, agriculture, lumbering, water power mills, taverns, railroad, postal service.

IV HOUSES. Miss Maud Prouty is working on a section on the houses in the village, while Mrs. Frizzell is attempting to cover the outlying districts.

V ITEMS. The libraries in the neighboring towns have files of the old weekly newspapers. Beginning with the 1875 papers Mrs. Frizzell has read and taken notes on all the Charlestown news up to the present. These notes make most interesting reading and give a very good picture of Charlestown through the years. They are too voluminous to include in the history as they are, but will be used after drastic cutting. Most of the developments and changes in the religious, fraternal and other organizations will be covered in this section, or along with a sketch taken from the "History of Charlestown," unless someone will volunteer to do the work more thoroughly.

VI GENEALOGY. The genealogies will be a disappointment to anyone expecting the exhaustive treatment in the "His-

tory of Charlestown." It would be literally impossible and impracticable to trace from its coming to America to its status in 1950 every family which has lived in Charlestown even in the last 75 years. The data will be as complete as practicable.

The chapters on the railroad, postal service and agriculture are completed except as additional bits of information may be added. Material is collected for the genealogies, but is not complete or coordinated. All the other chapters are in rough draft, some more complete than others. There is still a great deal of work to be done, but it is hoped all may be completed within the next year. Offers to assist in the typing of the manuscript would be appreciated.

At this point it seems feasible to make plans for publication. Inquiries have disclosed that 1000 copies (the number of the old history printed) of a 500 page book would cost approximately \$5000. A 20% discount might be obtained if the printer could do the work in his own time rather than to meet a deadline. This possibility for saving is the main reason for getting the printing started as soon as possible.

The voters have the following decisions to make:

1. Whether to publish the history
2. Method of financing. The committee makes the following suggestion:

Raise and appropriate \$1000 in 1953 and authorize the selectmen to borrow up to \$4000 when needed to establish a fund for paying the cost of publication, the debt to be retired as the books are sold. The committee suggests a selling price of \$7.50 per copy. It took 25 years to sell the old history.

GRACE E. HUNT
 BELLE A. MILLER
 MARTHA FRIZZELL
 ETHEL FISK

AUDITORS' REPORT

February 16, 1953

We, the undersigned Auditors of the Town of Charlestown, have examined the accounts as set forth in the accompanying schedules of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Treasurer of the Silsby Free Public Library, Water Commissioners, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds, and other Town Officers, and find them correct to the best of our knowledge.

ELEANOR C. BROWN
 ALTA G. CURRIER
 WALTER G. SMITH

SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT**Treasurer's Report for 1952****Receipts**

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1951	\$1772 04
Town appropriation	1000 00
Trustee of Trust Fund	500 00
Fines collected	50 73
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	\$3322 77

Disbursements

Books	\$ 716 05
Magazines	26 90
Mrs. Ruth Davidson, librarian	450 00
James Davidson, janitor	300 00
Fuel	197 43
Lights	63 16
Supplies	87 45
Repairs	264 64
Insurance	199 72
Balance of appropriation for roof	60 30
F. W. Hamlin Fund	111 05
Reserved for repairs in 1953	345 00
Amortization for insurance	48 72
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	\$2870 42
Balance in bank Dec. 31, 1952	452 35
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	\$3322 77

E. P. BARBER, Treasurer

Report of Librarian**Circulation for 1952**

Adult books, fiction	6421	
Juvenile books, fiction	4301	
Non-fiction, adult and juvenile	1083	
Periodicals	762	
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Total circulation		12567
Number of books owned	9617	
Number of books discarded	20	
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		9597
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Number of books added by purchase		318
Number of books added by gift		51
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Total number of books owned		9966

RUTH S. DAVIDSON, Librarian

SCHOOL REPORT

District of
CHARLESTOWN, N. H.

SCHOOL PERSONNEL, 1952-53

Moderator
MARTHA M. FRIZZELL

Clerk
BEATRICE OLDEN

School Board	
MERRILL P. WEEKS	Term expires 1953
ANNE WORTHLEY	Term expires 1954
DANA E. OLDEN	Term expires 1955

Treasurer
BEATRICE OLDEN

Auditors	
WALTER SMITH	FRANCIS MAYETTE

Union Clerk
MARION O. BRADISH

Superintendent of Schools
RALPH H. MEACHAM

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Charlestown,

I herewith submit my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools:

Teachers

Due to increased enrollments, illness and other unforeseen emergencies, the teaching staff has changed considerably since the opening of schools in September. Mr. Arthur Kinas was employed in September to replace Mr. Archie Macdonald who resigned as junior high social studies and English teacher. Mr. Frank Weaver was employed as an additional part-time teacher in December. He is relieving several of the junior-senior high school teachers who were carrying too heavy a teaching load in addition to extra curricula activities. Mr. Weaver is teaching a seventh grade social studies class and physical education in both the junior and senior high school in cooperation with Mr. Herbert and Miss Sayce. He is assisting Miss Bonner in the commercial department, and Mr. Streeter in administrative details.

It was necessary for Miss Joan Shepard to resign as of January 10 due to ill health. Possibly the extremely heavy teaching assignment and extra curricula duties, i. e. girls' basketball and cheerleading, contributed to her health failure. It has been extremely difficult to find a replacement, and to rearrange the schedule so that qualified personnel are teaching the subjects offered.

Several substitutes have been employed during this transition period, and it has been very difficult for the pupils to adjust to the many changes. It is hoped that the present schedule and staff can remain intact for the balance of the school year.

Miss Dorothy Jane Sayce is now substituting and, if clearance through the State Department of Education can be effected, she will continue. The varied experiences that she has had, including foreign travel and dance instruction, contribute much to the educational offerings of the school.

Mrs. Mildred Montrone was employed in January to teach grades three and four at the Holden School, when Mrs. Doris Blodgett was granted a leave of absence.

Charlestown is fortunate to have a very capable, energetic and cooperative teaching staff. They have worked together on several projects and entertainments, and have taken additional training with qualified instructors at Claremont, Windsor and Charlestown.

Buildings

All school buildings were thoroughly cleaned and a considerable amount of painting done. The Stucco Building has been completely redecorated inside and out, including a basement room previously used for music. This room is now being used by the kindergarten. It is ample in area, well lighted and heated, and is isolated enough to allow a good program with a minimum of interruptions. This was not the case in the basement of the Holden School. A large fluorescent light fixture in one room gives much more light and adds to the attractiveness of the room. The roof has been reinforced to prevent any danger from heavy snow storms.

Another reason for transferring the kindergarten to the Stucco Building was to allow renovation of the basement room in the Holden School to accommodate a constantly increasing elementary school orchestra. Racks for musical instruments were installed after a partition was moved. This has freed the adjacent room to be utilized as a very fine elementary library, meeting room and recreation room. Local organizations have found this to be well suited for evening meetings, and the Girl Scouts and Mothers' Club have contributed funds to provide curtains and other fixtures.

Installation of new furniture in the Stucco Building has made this an exceptionally fine home for the first grade pupils, who receive an excellent start on their educational career with the assistance of two very capable teachers.

The new junior-senior high school has received attention, too. Soap dishes have been installed in the shower rooms, along with a curtain for the girls' shower. Two rooms are being constructed in the area adjacent to the girls' locker room, with the assistance of the shop boys and Mr. Burnap, the instructor. One is to be used as a nurse's room and for pupils who are ill, and the other for a teachers' room. Both of these have been found necessary since occupying the building. The shop boys have constructed an incinerator, and are repairing the merry-go-round for the first grade pupils.

Through the efforts of the student council, under the direction of Mr. Streeter, the gymnasium has been equipped with curtains to be used when visual aids are employed for instruction and entertainment. Floor plates were installed in the gymnasium floor for attachment of volley ball standards.

The Farwell School basements were painted and new book shelves have been installed. Minor repairs to doors and windows were made.

Needs

To improve the physical school plants, play areas and indirectly the educational offerings, I recommend the following:

1. Complete renovation of the interior of the Farwell School at the earliest opportunity.
2. Installation of hard surfacing of part of the area to the rear of the new junior-senior high school to be used as tennis, volley ball and basketball courts and as play areas during all but the winter months. The area could be utilized for a skating rink by very inexpensive additions, or for a parking area during the winter months.
3. Installation of additional backboards in the gymnasium.
4. Installation of hard surfacing in the area between the main street and sidewalk directly in front of the new school.
5. Installation of fencing between the school district owned property and the abutters at both the new high school and the Holden School.

The pupils are to be commended on their fine examples of sportsmanship and citizenship as exemplified on trips to other schools, and within the Charlestown schools. The musical organizations and athletic teams, under the direction of Mr. Miner, Mr. Robbins, Mr. Herbert and Mr. Weaver, have made very enviable records.

I wish to express my sincere thanks for the cooperation and professional attitude of the teaching staff and school nurse, the wise counsel and support of the school board, and the most excellent cooperation and support of students, parents and other citizens who have every right to be very proud of the education they are providing or receiving.

The very efficient manner in which Mr. John Day completed his duties as your superintendent, together with the understanding and explanation of the office details, as well as completion of work by Mrs. Bradish, have all contributed toward making my work easier.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH H. MEACHAM

Superintendent

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We are experiencing a very busy and, I trust, a successful year in the high school. Many new activities have been added to the school program this year. The aim to help the student to do better the desirable things that he will do anyway, has been foremost in the planning of the year's program.

The daily schedule was changed so that the activity period could extend into the noon hour. As a result, practically all the music occupies one-half the noon hour period, not interfering with the regular program, thus giving an opportunity for more music.

The activities added this year, which have had excellent student interest and support, are: junior and senior rod and gun club, photography club, music appreciation, and special glee club.

I wish to thank parents and friends for their support of the Curtis Magazine Drive. The proceeds from last year's drive were used to purchase a recorder which has had wide use throughout the school, and especially in music and dramatics. The proceeds from this year's drive, in addition to funds raised by the students under the direction of the student council, have been used to purchase curtains for the gymnasium. The entire cost was \$368. These curtains will allow us to show educational movies to the entire school, thus allowing more students to see them.

The hot lunch program averages to serve about 250 meals daily. This is a slightly lesser number than a year ago. Although the price had to be raised because of a rise in costs, we believe that the fee has been kept to a minimum.

The students, faculty and myself greatly appreciate the fine facilities that we now have, and it is our earnest endeavor to keep the building and equipment in good condition.

Many people from within the state and outside have come to visit our school and have offered high praise for the layout and care of the building.

The number of graduates of last year's class going to college, or other schools of advanced training, was very high. Each year about half of the graduates take advanced training.

Many parents have talked with the teachers about their mutual problems concerning their children, and I feel that, in most cases, the results have been very satisfactory. It is much better to be working together on a problem than to evade it and let all concerned suffer.

In the fields of music, dramatics, sports and school publications, the achievements and success of each are a matter of public record.

The faculty has put in a busy year. Some went to summer school and others have taken extension courses this fall and winter. As a result of courses offered in Charlestown, a handbook has been developed to assist beginning teachers, as well as regular teachers in a more uniform procedure.

At our faculty meetings, many ideas have been exchanged and developed. Outside speakers were secured from the state department and Keene Teachers College for a workshop on School Philosophy and Grading.

A thorough study of report cards is being made by a faculty committee, in cooperation with parents and students, who will develop a new report card. A survey of report cards used in all the school systems in the state has been conducted and this information will be used in the study.

We are sorry to lose Miss Shepard who, due to ill health, was forced to resign from our staff. She had established herself as an excellent teacher, and her loss is greatly felt by the students, fellow teachers and administration.

Our aim is not only to teach the "three R's", which have been and always will be of great importance, but to prepare students for life by guiding them in good citizenship habits and teaching them how to live harmoniously with their fellow citizens.

Another career day was held last spring which was designed to help the student choose more wisely his vocation and subjects that prepare him for it.

I wish to thank all of the personnel connected with the school, namely, teachers, cafeteria staff, custodian, office workers, student council and monitors, for their cooperation and interest in making our school run smoothly. To Superintendent Meacham and school board members, I wish to acknowledge their support, leadership and guidance in dealing with the entire school program.

Respectfully submitted,
WALDO R. STREETER, Principal

HOLDEN SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Holden School has accepted the responsibility of furnishing each child of Charlestown with a pattern of experiences which will aid him in becoming an independent, responsible citizen in

his society. The children of Charlestown have the opportunity for many experiences, some over which the school has no control. The degree with which we are successful with each child often has a direct connection with the attitudes developed outside of the school.

No two children in school learn at the same rate of speed or in the same way. In each grade, groups have been established and subject material has been presented in a manner which will best help all the children in the process of learning.

Our schools are faced with the problem of a constant increase in enrollment. To meet this problem, the Stucco Building was repaired and redecorated. It is now the home of two first grades and the nursery class. The latter is sponsored by the Mothers' Club. It was also necessary to increase our faculty by one, making a total of ten classroom teachers.

We are about to complete an elementary library in the basement of Holden School. This will have unlimited value to both children and teachers. To make maximum use of the available space in the basement of the school, a partition was moved, thus providing a large room to carry on activities which are a part of each child's education, but which cannot be carried out effectively in the regular classroom.

The teachers of the elementary grades try to maintain a degree of discipline which assures each child a feeling of security, and a degree of freedom which will give him the satisfaction of self-development.

I am indebted to the Mothers' Club for its interest and support in carrying out some of the projects which might otherwise be difficult to accomplish.

Good schools are the result of the concentrated efforts on the part of parents, teachers and administrators. The doors of Holden School are always wide open to the parents and citizens of Charlestown.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER C. GOULD,

Principal

Pupil Statistics

1952-53	Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Stucco Building		58												58
Holden School			47	44	54	44	37							226
Farwell School		7	8	12	8	10	4							49
Jr.-Sr. high school								45	31	30	21	23	37	187
Totals		65	55	56	62	54	41	45	31	30	21	23	37	520

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

Healthy development of the child is of basic importance. Good health is essential to effective living. What better place than the school to teach "GOOD HEALTH HABITS?" Good health is an important goal of education.

Your school nurse has been privileged with the opportunity to continue to improve the health of your school child. The methods used are not new. A yearly inspection is done. This includes weight and height. An inspection of posture, skin, hair, teeth and throat are also a part of the routine. Your child's vision is tested by means of the Massachusetts Vision Testing Machine. Hearing is tested individually by means of the audiometer. Hearing is done about every other year as the testing apparatus is loaned by the State Board of Education. As time permits, your nurse visits the classrooms and has discussions with the children on different phases of the health problems.

Now to explain what happens following the inspection. A "Notice to Parents" is sent home by the school nurse. What is on this notice? The defects observed by your nurse are sent to you for your consideration. You may request the assistance of the nurse, check that you will consult your family doctor or family dentist. Home visits are made by the nurse where it is necessary: to discuss the plan to be taken; to discuss health problems; to give suggestions in the care of the sick child as needed.

A health record is kept on your child so that the nurse, teachers, principal and superintendent may have access to the health progress of each child. Should parents wish to discuss this record, they may consult the nurse at their convenience. A close relationship between local, state, social and health agencies is gratefully appreciated. There is a full cooperation with the State Board of Education, State Health Department and State Department of Public Welfare. Thus through the cooperation of "ALL OF US", our endeavor will be to keep the school child healthy in mind and body.

IDA DOUSEWICZ, School Nurse

FINANCIAL SUMMARY AND BUDGET

Expenditures Item	1 Exp'tures 1951-52	2 Estimated Exp'tures 1952-53	3 Budget 1953-54
Administration:			
Sal. of dist. officers	\$ 455.00	\$ 465.00	\$ 465.00
Supt. sal. (local share)	1,980.00	1,197.88	1,541.25
Tax for state wide supervison	950.00	1,072.00	1,098.00
Sal. of other admin. personnel	681.00	750.00	828.75
Supplies and expenses	433.16	1,050.00	1,060.00
Instruction:			
High school teachers' sal.	17,322.41	21,420.00	21,425.00
Elem. teachers' sal.	38,471.89	42,830.00	48,875.00
Books & other inst.. aids, high	463.34	500.00	450.00
Books & other inst. aids, elem.	874.80	1,000.00	900.00
Scholars' supplies, high	759.52	900.00	750.00
Scholars' supplies, elem.	1,479.17	1,300.00	1,500.00
Supplies and other exp., high	500.92	500.00	500.00
Supplies and other exp., elem.	266.80	400.00	500.00
Operation of School Plant			
Sal. of janitors, high	1,803.82	1,620.00	1,650.00
Sal. of janitors, elem.	2,847.39	4,380.00	4,350.00
Fuel or heat, high	1,727.96	1,680.00	1,700.00
Fuel or heat, elem.	2,700.50	3,020.00	3,200.00
Water, light, sup. & exp., high	1,095.48	1,230.00	1,210.00
Water, light, sup. & exp., elem.	1,196.00	1,350.00	1,315.00
Maintenance of School Plant			
Repairs & replacements, high	331.16	400.00	400.00
Repairs & replacements, elem.	785.80	1,600.00	800.00
Auxiliary Activities			
Health supervision, high	103.23	125.00	125.00
Health supervision, elem.	1,243.70	1,275.00	1,375.00
Transportation, high	1,760.65	1,519.00	1,800.00
Transportation, elem.	5,874.55	6,076.00	7,200.00
Tuition, high			
Tuition, elem.			
Spec. act. & spec. funds, high	955.05	250.00	550.00
Spec. act. & spec. funds, elem.	1,718.64	150.00	250.00
School lunch		2,200.00	

Fixed Charges

Teachers' retirement, high	1,182.00	1,267.00	1,545 00
Teachers' retirement, elem.	2,195.00	2,533.00	2,615.60
Ins., treas. bonds & exp., high	1,000.00	525.00	625.00
Ins., treas. bonds & exp., elem.	961.04	1,075.00	840.00

Capital Outlay

Lands & new bldgs., high	164.62	1,000.00	
Lands & new bldgs., elem.	85.49	525.77	
Add. & improvements, high	287.78	223.36	
Add. & improvements, elem.	2,152.86		
New equipment, high	2,699.04	1,400.00	800.00
New equipment, elem.	2,213.86	1,300.00	200.00
Payments into building fund	1,000.00		

Debt and Interest

Principal of debt	7,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
Interest on debt	4,168.50	3,980.00	3,748.50

Total expenditures or school
appropriation

\$113,892.73	\$125,089.01	\$127,192.10
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Receipts

	1 Receipts 1951-52	2 Estimated 1952-53	3 Budget 1953-54
Balance (actual or estimate) \$	3,167.78	\$ 135.43	\$ 00.00
State aid	16,066.24	16,575.29	20,000.00
Federal aid	265.77	300.00	250.00
Trust funds	16.36	15.00	
Tuition	1,100.00	1,075.00	1,075.00
School lunch	2,290.53	2,200.00	
Other	2,431.51	1,272.44	800.00

Total receipts other than
property taxes

\$ 25,338.19	\$ 21,573.16	\$ 22,125.00
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District assessment

88,689.97	103,386.71	105,067.10
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Total appropriation voted by
School District

\$114,028.16	\$124,959.87	\$127,192.10
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ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

July 1, 1951, to June 30, 1952

Cash on hand, June 30, 1951:

General account	\$ 3167 78	
Building account	12108 04	
		\$ 15275 82

Received from Selectmen, current appropriation	91189 97	
Income from Trust funds	16 36	

Received from State Treasurer:

State aid	\$16066 24	
Other	2556 30	
		18622 54

Received from tuitions	1100 00	
Received from all other sources	3855 16	

Total amount available for fiscal year	\$130059 85	
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Less School Board orders paid:

General account	\$113892 73	
Building account	16031 69	
		\$129924 42

Balance on hand, June 30, 1952	\$ 135 43	
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AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other records of the treasurer of the school district of Charlestown, of which the above is a true summary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, and find them correct in all respects.

FRANCIS E. MAYETTE

WALTER SMITH

Auditors

July 19, 1952

SCHOOL WARRANT State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Charlestown qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the fourteenth day of March, 1953, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committeess in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund, together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the district will authorize the school board to appropriate receipts from federal lunch reimbursements, tuition, gifts, and any other receipts from miscellaneous sources, in addition to the original appropriation for 1952-53, for the lunch program, general expenses, equipment and improvements.
10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate any money to provide fencing between the school district property and that of the abutters at the Holden School and the High School.
11. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money as a contingency fund to provide for unanticipated expenses for the school year 1953-54.

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Charlestown this 21st day of February, 1953.

MERRILL WEEKS
ANNE A. WORTHLEY
DANA E. OLDEN
School Board

Births Registered in the Town of Charlestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1952

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	No.	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 15	Claremont, N. H.	Stephen Robert Webster	5	Frederick Alton Webster	Bernice Frances Sweeney
16	Claremont, N. H.	Robert Frank Stevens	3	Roland Raymond Stevens	Louise C. Chester
Feb. 4	Springfield, Vt.	Pamela Joy Brooks	6	Whitney Fenton Brooks	Wilda Inez Carpenter
7	Claremont, N. H.	Janet Anne Roy	5	William Clifford Roy	Louise Virginia Blanchard
16	Claremont, N. H.	Bruce Charles Thomas	1	Charles Richard Thomas	Pauline Mae Thibault
17	Springfield, Vt.	Susan Claire Gates	4	Hesslar Howell Gates	Miriam Ernestine Palmer
18	Claremont, N. H.	Ann Elaine Chase	5	Harold Erwin Chase	Alice May Gerber
Mar. 1	Springfield, Vt.	William Monti Walker	2	Skidmond Henry Walker	Gladys Alberta Lawrence
4	Concord, N. H.	Steven Arthur Neill	1	Paul Vernon Neill	Dorothy Lee Johnson
7	Springfield, Vt.	Darlene Ann Nacel	1	William Fred Nacel	Janice Ella Hall
31	Springfield, Vt.	John Walter Smith	6	Walter Guy Smith	Olive Marjorie Sylvester
Apr. 1	Claremont, N. H.	David Arthur Streeter	1	Richard Henry Streeter	Virginia Marie Rix
23	Springfield, Vt.	Katherine Ann Nelson	1	Edward Matthew Nelson, Jr.	Alice Marie Boure
23	Bellows Falls, Vt.	William Arnold Hayes	3	Robert Gerald Hayes	Catherine Loraine Smith
28	Springfield, Vt.	April Rose Moore	2	Kenneth William Moore	Virginia Rose Mullett
May 1	Springfield, Vt.	Cynthia Ann Farman	3	Miller Trumpass Farman	Pearl Edith Stevens
8	Bellows Falls, Vt.	June Elizabeth Fisk	6	Cecil Ernest Fisk	Leona Elizabeth Lundin
11	Springfield, Vt.	John Henry Kinney	4	Edward Francis Kinney	Henrietta Virginia Lake

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	No.	Name of Father	Name of Mother
June 12	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Kevin Dale Wilcox	8	Frank Hebert Wilcox	Ada Mary Benware
25	Springfield, Vt.	Marie Ann Kennett	5	Leslie Bradford Kennett	Yvette Mary Tremblay
July 11	Claremont, N. H.	Chester Paul Scott, Jr.	2	Chester Paul Scott	Willo Theresa Wilson
Aug. 16	Springfield, Vt.	Susan Ellen Edgar	2	Hugh Thomas Edgar	Marilyn Gertrude McLean
17	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Lenny Lee Bennett	1	Carl Harold Bennett	Leona Louise Bashaw
Sept. 11	Springfield, Vt.	Ruel Clayton Flanders	3	Eugene Clifford Flanders	Myrtle Emma Wright
12	Springfield, Vt.	Michele Jeannette Davis	2	John Dresser Davis	Florence Wilson
15	Charlestown, N. H.	Cheryl Elaine Towsley	11	Henry Guy Towsley	Ellen Beatrice Brown
15	Springfield, Vt.	Sally Jane Ball	2	Sheldon Ezra Ball	Louise Millicent Perry
20	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Alice Mary Blanchard	2	Leon Raymond Blanchard	Agnes Mary Footland
29	Springfield, Vt.	Patricia Ann McMahon	2	Phillip McMahon	Arlene Alma Moffatt
Oct. 8	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Michael Joseph Davis	1	Harry Steven Davis, Jr.	Olga Gloria Balestra
28	Springfield, Vt.	Harold James Zimmer	1	Emil Wilbur Zimmer	Mary Josephine Scott
Nov. 2	Springfield, Vt.	Jaqueline Ann Leitner	3	Robert Paul Leitner	Muriel Ellen Ingalls
4	Claremont, N. H.	Ruth Louise Haynes	1	David Allen Haynes	Nellie Louise Clark
8	Springfield, Vt.	James Michael Royce	4	Ernest Harland Royce	Mary Lenore McMahon
10	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Patricia Fernn Starks	1	William Starks	Katherine Fernn Champney
14	Springfield, Vt.	Valerie Ann Balch	6	Allen James Balch	Margaret Ellen Anderson
Dec. 16	Springfield, Vt.	Patricia Ann Schofield	5	Ralph William Schofield	Hilda Edith Page
18	Springfield, Vt.	Albert Lawrence Blaise	2	Albert Lawrence Blaise	Evaden Eleanor Gilcris
24	Springfield, Vt.	Jeffrey Mark Lessels	1	David John Lessels	Barbara Lee Ripley

Marriages Registered in the Town of Charlestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1952

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Age	Residence of Each
Jan. 19	Keene, N. H.	Leonard Clarence Cleveland Doris Jullie Parker	39 36	Charlestown, N. H. Keene, N. H.
26	Charlestown, N. H.	Michael James Tolaro	27	North Walpole, N. H.
Feb. 2	Charlestown, N. H.	Jennifer Margaret Johnson Willard Barrick Davis	22 44	Charlestown, N. H. Charlestown, N. H.
3	Westminster, Vt.	Irene Davis Walter Guy Jennison	34 19	Charlestown, N. H. Westminster, Vt.
4	Boscawen, N. H.	Patricia Clydene Schofield Earl Raymond Streeter	18 20	Charlestown, N. H. Charlestown, N. H.
Mar. 21	Charlestown, N. H.	Sarah Jane Chesley Edward James Davis	20 26	Louden, N. H. Newport, R. I.
Apr. 1	Claremont, N. H.	Ardith Lucille McKenzie Joseph Edward Blair	25 20	Springfield, Vt. Charlestown, N. H.
5	Reading, Mass.	Christine Rose Hazelton Edward Alfred Johnson, Jr.	17 20	Charlestown, N. H. Charlestown, N. H.
10	Winchester, N. H.	Patricia Joyce Wilkie David Hogan	21 20	Reading, Mass. Charlestown, N. H.
20	No. Charlestown, N. H.	Nadine Marion Coombs Hugh Eugene Bemis	18 23	Winchester, N. H. Charlestown, N. H.
27	Nashua, N. H.	Janet May Jackson William Elias	18 33	Claremont, N. H. Charlestown, N. H.
May 17	Littleton, N. H.	Jenny Petropoulos Albert Lorence Blaise Evaden Eleonor Gilcris	27 37 19	Nashua, N. H. Charlestown, N. H. Charlestown, N. H.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Age	Residence of Each
29	Charlestown, N. H.	Warren Leslie Schofield	34	Nashua, N. H.
30	Charlestown, N. H.	Dawn Lyon Tripp	33	Charlestown, N. H.
		William Rogers Smith	21	Charlestown, N. H.
June 7	West Claremont, N. H.	Jeanne Beverly Langdon	21	Springfield, Vt.
		Norman Carter Bulfinch	30	Charlestown, N. H.
		Doris Arline Linquist	25	Staten Island, N. Y.
14	Charlestown, N. H.	Norman Calvin Cobb	21	Charlestown, N. H.
		Lena Vivian Auvil	23	Grafton, W. Va.
21	No. Springfield, Vt.	Kenneth Brown	27	Charlestown, N. H.
		Priscilla Janet Gurney	24	North Springfield, Vt.
July 5	Charlestown, N. H.	Robert Franklin Williams	23	Charlestown, N. H.
		Jacqueline Ann Johnson	18	Bellows Falls, Vt.
17	Charlestown, N. H.	Nicholas Joseph Capron	25	Wyandotte, Mich.
		Sheila Mary Worthley	23	Charlestown, N. H.
20	Charlestown, N. H.	William Bernard Mates, Jr.	25	Portsmouth, N. H.
		Dona Alice Adams	23	Charlestown, N. H.
23	Keene, N. H.	Olif Majeska Wilkins	45	Charlestown, N. H.
		Angelina Blanche Stickney	37	Walpole, N. H.
26	Charlestown, N. H.	Edwin Eugene Fisk	17	Charlestown, N. H.
		Mary Jean Konesco	15	Bellows Falls, Vt.
Aug. 9	Woodstock, Vt.	Raymond Elmer Nichols, Jr.	18	Woodstock, Vt.
		Greta Elaine Brown	17	Charlestown, N. H.
19	Brattleboro, Vt.	Phillip McMahon	22	Portsmouth, Va.
		Arlene A. Moffatt	22	Charlestown, N. H.
30	Charlestown, N. H.	Lester David Boyden	26	Milton, Mass.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Age	Residence of Each
Sept. 14	Charlestown, N. H.	Margaret Elizabeth Carter	24	South Charlestown, N. H.
		Malcolm Arthur Baldwin	25	Bolton Landing, N. Y.
14	Charlestown, N. H.	Maxine Brown	21	Charlestown, N. H.
		Gordon Irving Berquist	18	Goshen, N. H.
26	Charlestown, N. H.	Elizabeth Norma Royce	18	Charlestown, N. H.
		Merton Henry Bascom	19	Charlestown, N. H.
27	Keene, N. H.	Beverly Ruth Chase	16	Charlestown, N. H.
		James Douglas Reavis	27	Charlestown, N. H.
27	Claremont, N. H.	Elizabeth Eleanor Kingsbury	19	East Westmoreland, N. H.
		John Francis Fitzgerald	44	Charlestown, N. H.
Oct. 18	Walpole, N. H.	Winola Veronica Desmarais	39	Claremont, N. H.
		Lee Joseph Soucie	64	South Charlestown, N. H.
Nov. 8	Charlestown, N. H.	Nellie Ada Westcott	48	South Charlestown, N. H.
		Reginald James Walton	23	Monticello, Me.
8	Charlestown, N. H.	Hilda Jean Brown	20	Charlestown, N. H.
		James Albert Poisson	22	Charlestown, N. H.
21	Hartford, Conn.	Cassie Elizabeth Rice	21	Charlestown, N. H.
		Delor Herman Amell	32	Meriden, Conn.
26	Winooski, Vt.	Shirley Hazel Thomas	18	Charlestown, N. H.
		Anthony J. Dousewicz	38	Winooski, Vt.
29	Newport, N. H.	Ida Lena Muraszko	32	Charlestown, N. H.
		Lynwood Joseph Babbitt	19	Charlestown, N. H.
Dec. 27	Charlestown, N. H.	Lillian May Johnson	17	Newport, N. H.
		Ernest Henry Lawrence	20	Putney, Vt.
		Jean Edna Phelps	20	Charlestown, N. H.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Charlestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1952

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Birthplace
Jan. 7	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Frank B. Townner	55	Pennsylvania
22	Greensboro, Vt.	Albert B. DeBrune	80	New Hampshire
Apr. 24	Hanover, N. H.	William Hare	84	New York
29	Charlestown, N. H.	Ralph William Schofield, Jr.	5	New Hampshire
May 5	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Michael Joseph Pletzner	70	New Hampshire
29	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Lewis Henry Spaulding	67	New Hampshire
June 6	Wrentham, Mass.	Harriet A. Cochran	73	New Hampshire
27	Claremont, N. H.	Joseph F. Rowe	81	Vermont
July 7	So. Charlestown, N. H.	Maggie Pecor	83	New Hampshire
14	Springfield, Vt.	George T. Lambert	60	Vermont
20	Greenville, Me.	Guy C. Dodge	63	New Hampshire
27	Charlestown, N. H.	John F. Cook, Sr.	54	New Hampshire
Aug. 21	Bellows Falls, Vt.	John Austin Rich	90	Massachusetts
30	Claremont, N. H.	Lenora Etta Hilliard	78	Massachusetts
Sept. 9	Charlestown, N. H.	April Rose Moore	4 mo.	Vermont
13	Hanover, N. H.	Henry Boucher	69	Vermont
22	Claremont, N. H.	Baby Boy Coul	2 hrs.	New Hampshire
24	Unity, N. H.	Charles L. Phillips	69	Maine
Nov. 13	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Margaret E. Galway	71	New Hampshire
Dec. 8	No. Charlestown, N. H.	George William Holt	67	New Hampshire
26	Unity, N. H.	Fred H. Glynn	78	Vermont
20	Windsor, Vt.	Kate Colston Allen	72	Vermont

I hereby certify that the above returns of births, marriages and deaths are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM S. FAIRBANKS, Town Clerk

